

A BREATH-TAKING SUPER THRILLING ISSUE

SILVER

STREAK

COMICS

DAREDEVIL

CLAW

DAREDEVIL vs THE CLAW
THE BEST CHAPTER YET

APRIL
1941
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NO. 9

Five thousand lives at stake
—a split second to spare as
Silver Streak and Whiz zoom
to the rescue! But plotters
already have started their
dirty work. See Page 19.

PRESTO MARTIN
THE ACE DETECTIVE

DAN DEARBORN
FREEDOM'S SON

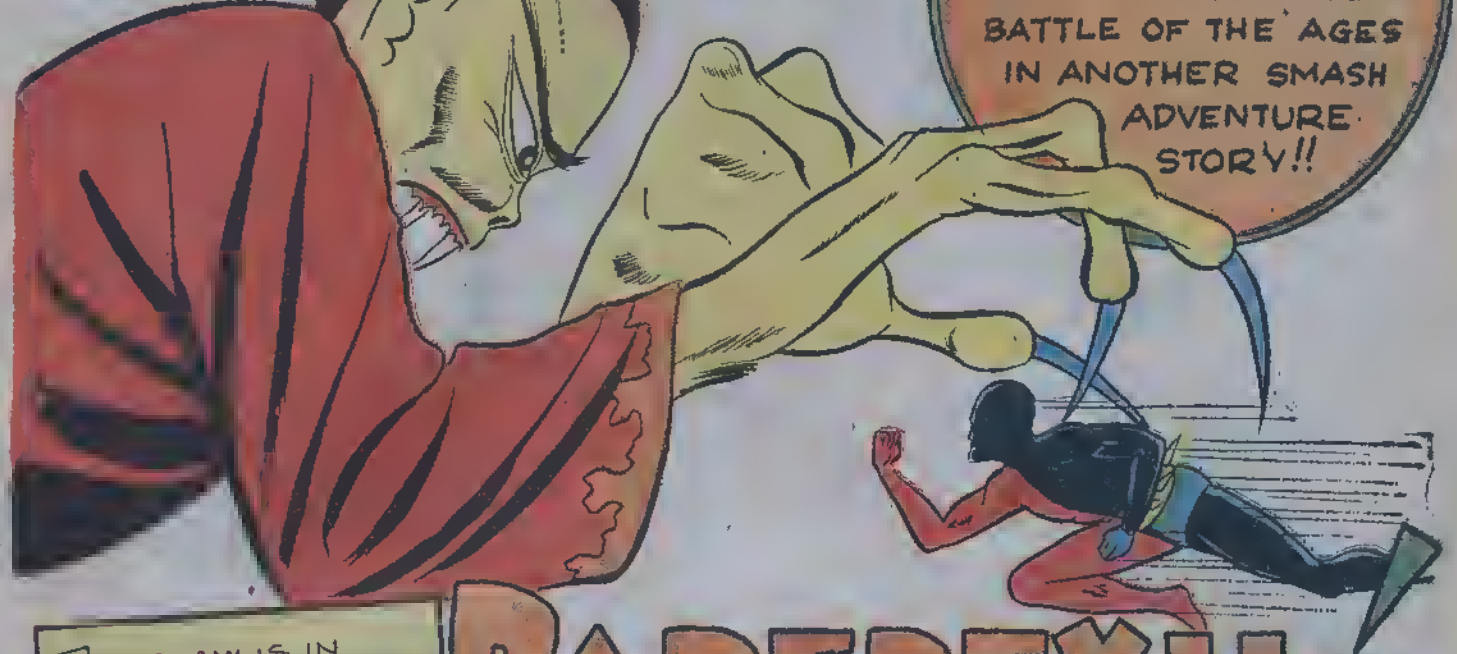
CLOUD CURTIS
and the
GOLDEN BULLET

10 OTHER TERRIFIC FEATURES

ADVENTURE THRILLS STAMPS PUZZLES ACTION

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CLAW



THEY'RE AT IT AGAIN!
THE MASTER OF CRIME AND THE DEFENDER OF RIGHT CONTINUE THEIR BATTLE OF THE AGES IN ANOTHER SMASH ADVENTURE STORY!!

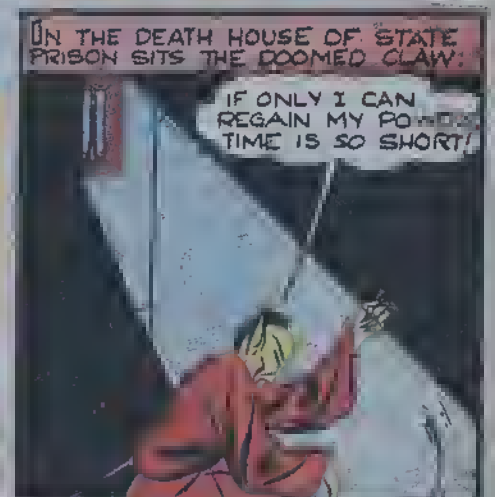
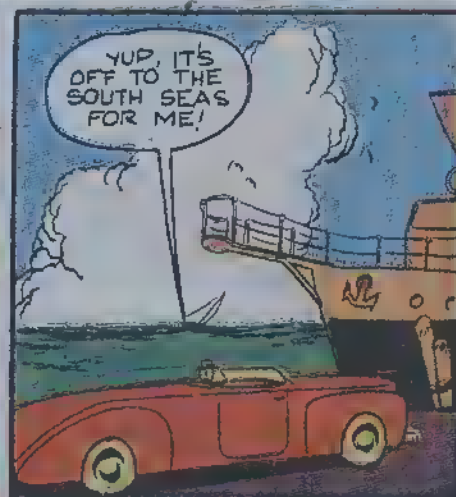
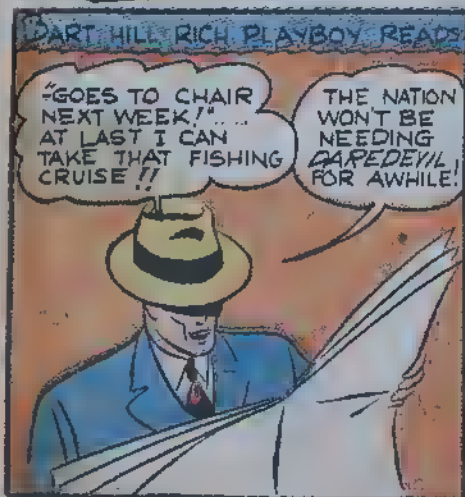
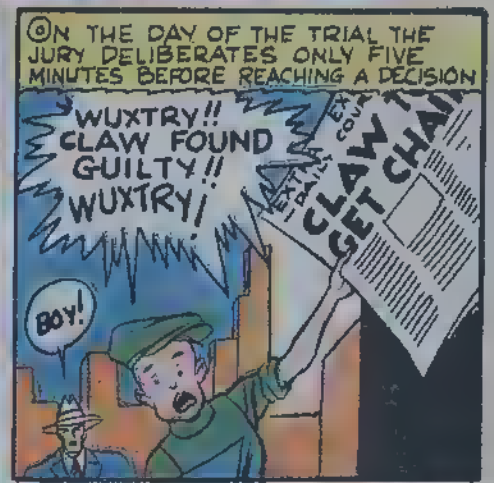
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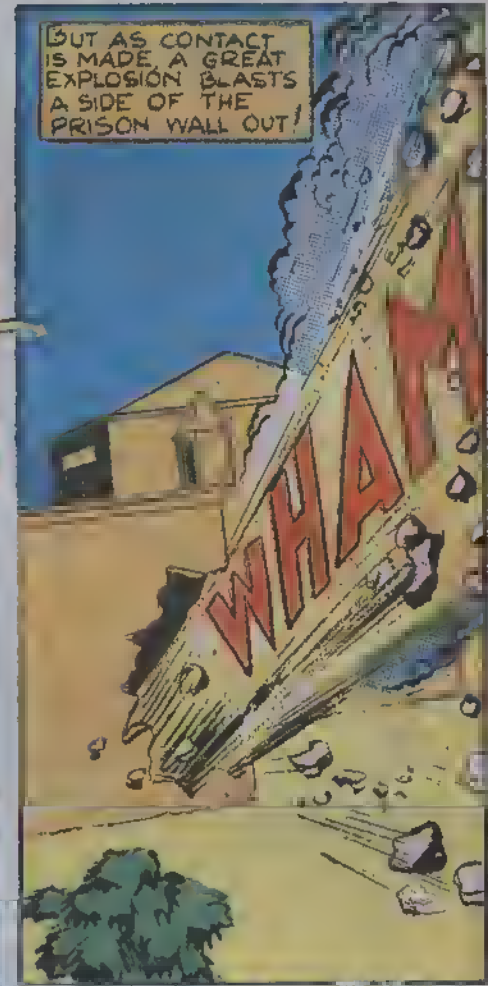
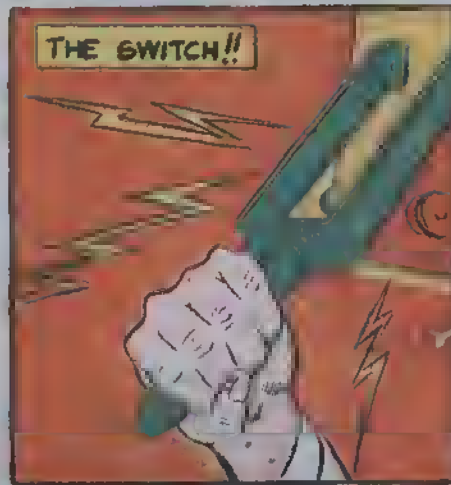
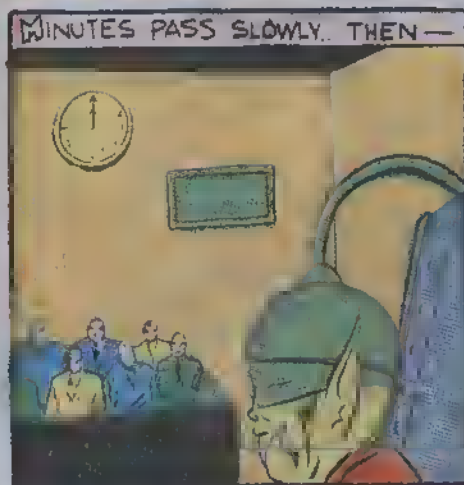
THE CLAW IS IN PRISON, AWAITING TRIAL FOR MURDER!

IT WILL BE REMEMBERED THAT DAREDEVIL BROUGHT HIM INTO CUSTODY ONLY AFTER A TERRIFIC HAND-TO-HAND BATTLE, DURING WHICH THE CLAW RECEIVED A SEVERE BEATING AND FINALLY FELL OFF A CLIFF.

PICKED UP AND CARRIED TO PRISON HE FINDS THAT IN HIS WEAKENED CONDITION HE IS UNABLE TO EXERCISE HIS MYSTIC POWERS.

WE FIND HIM NOW BROODING IN HIS CELL







BEFORE WE GO FURTHER, HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN UP WITH ME?... TOGETHER WE CAN OVERTHROW THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND SET UP A DICTATORSHIP! QUICKLY!... IS IT YES OR NO?



WHAT'VE WE GOT TO LOSE?... I'M WITH YOU!

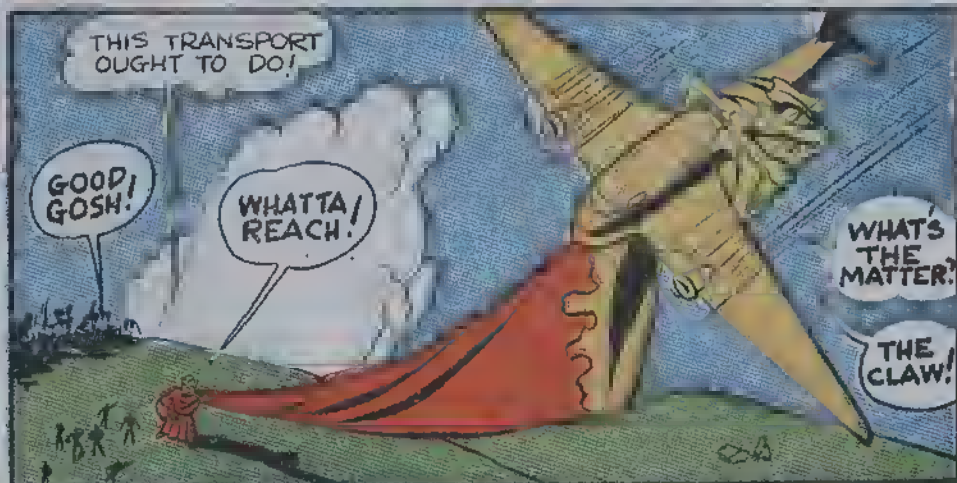
SAME HERE!

ME TOO! HOW ABOUT YOU, SPIKE?

OAK!



GOOD! BUT FIRST WE MUST GET AWAY FROM HERE!



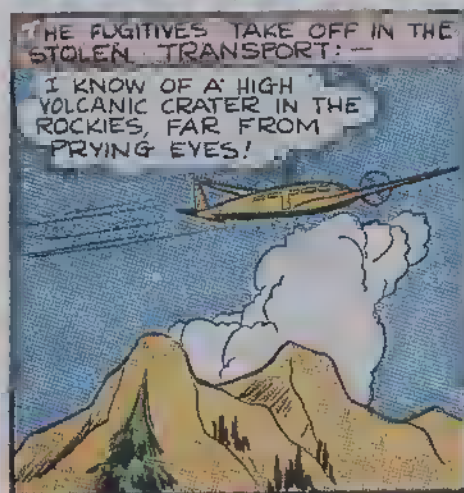
THIS TRANSPORT OUGHT TO DO!

GOOD! GOSH!

WHATTA! REACH!

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

THE CLAW!



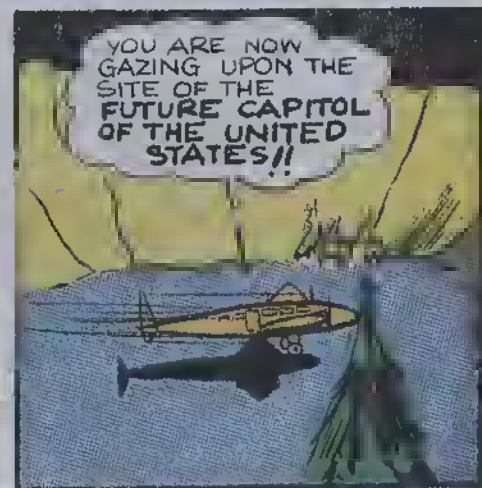
THE FUGITIVES TAKE OFF IN THE STOLEN TRANSPORT:—

I KNOW OF A HIGH VOLCANIC CRATER IN THE ROCKIES, FAR FROM PRYING EYES!

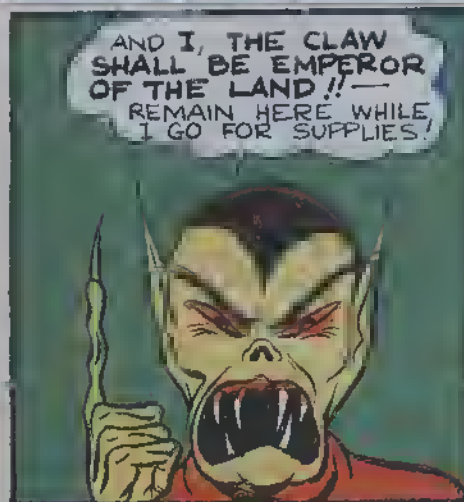


HERE! IT IS!

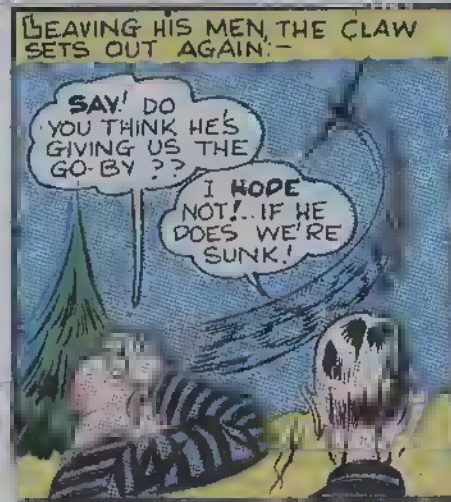
GEE A SWELL LANDING FIELD, TOO!



YOU ARE NOW GAZING UPON THE SITE OF THE FUTURE CAPITAL OF THE UNITED STATES!!



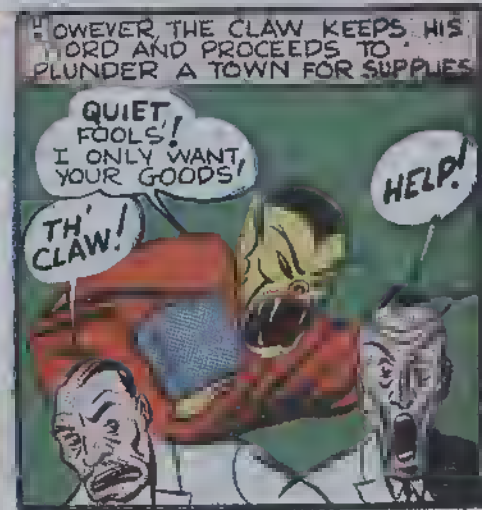
AND I, THE CLAW SHALL BE EMPEROR OF THE LAND!!— REMAIN HERE WHILE I GO FOR SUPPLIES!



LEAVING HIS MEN THE CLAW SETS OUT AGAIN:—

SAY! DO YOU THINK HE'S GIVING US THE GO-BY??

I HOPE NOT!... IF HE DOES WE'RE SUNK!

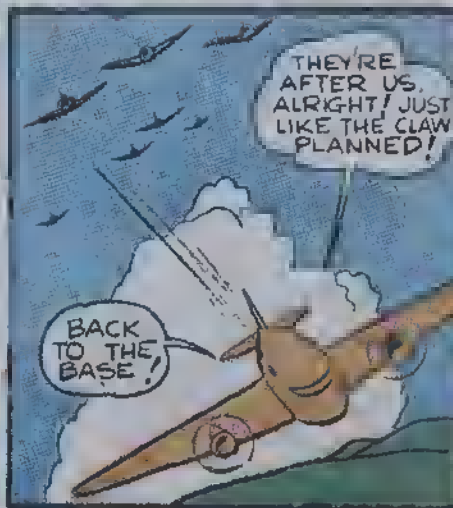
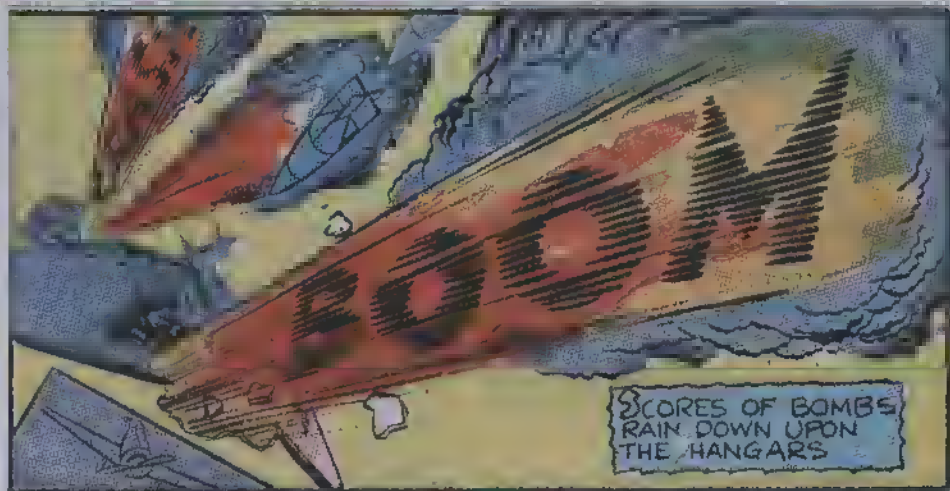
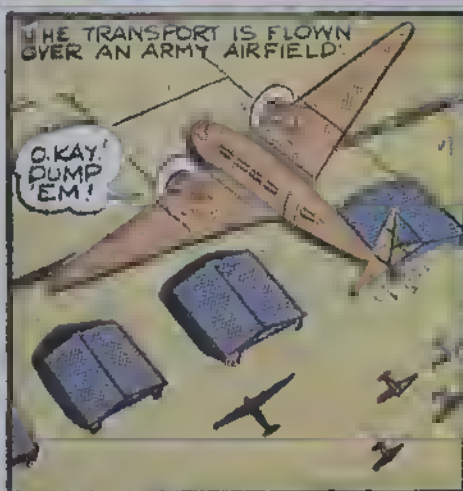
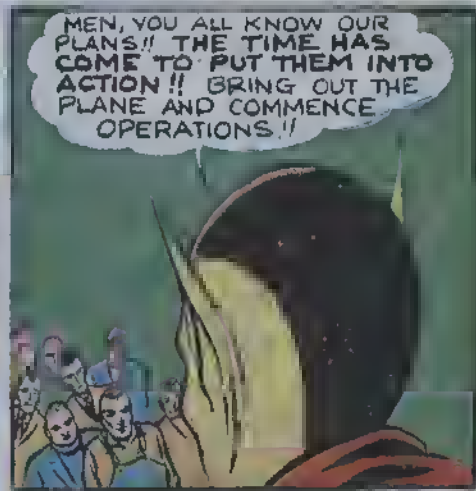
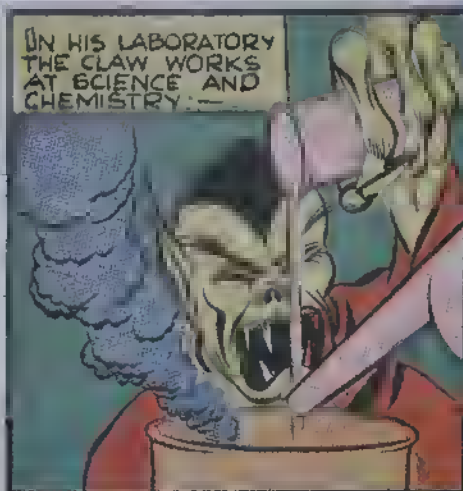
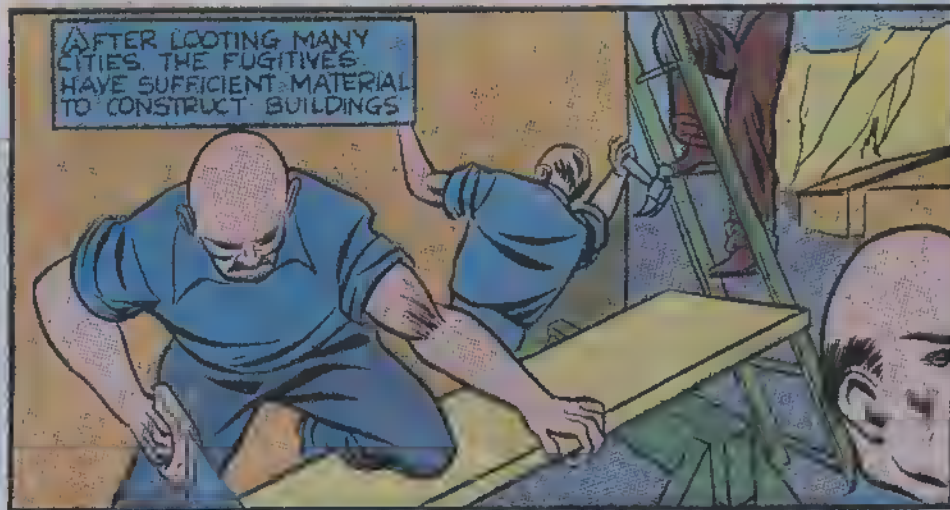


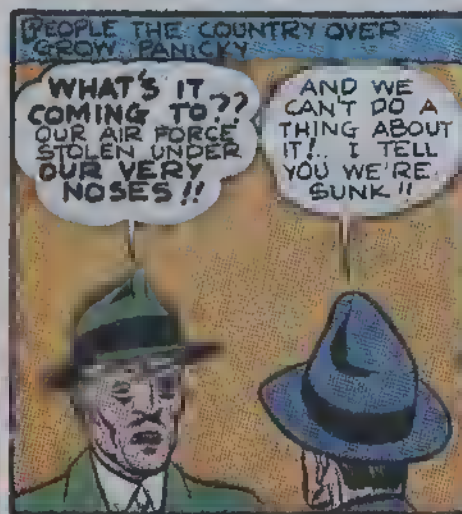
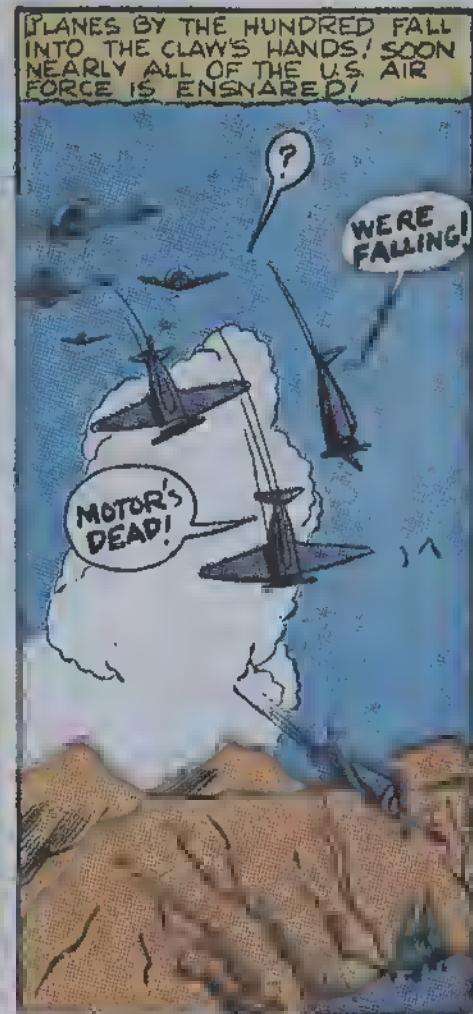
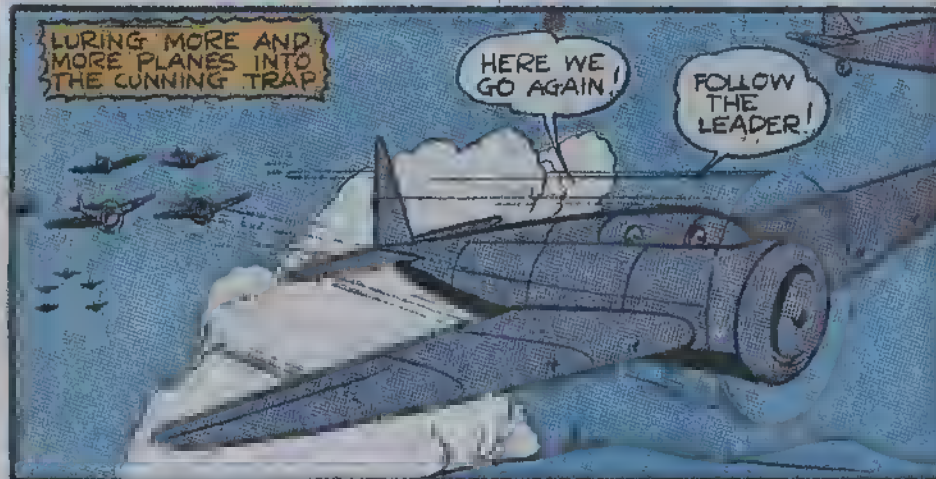
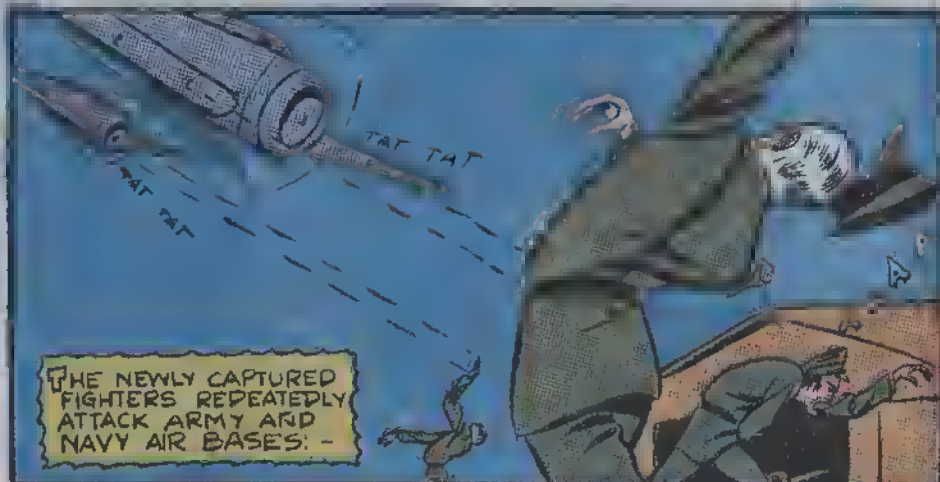
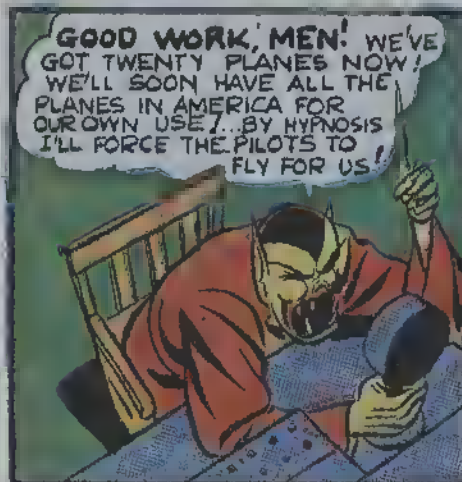
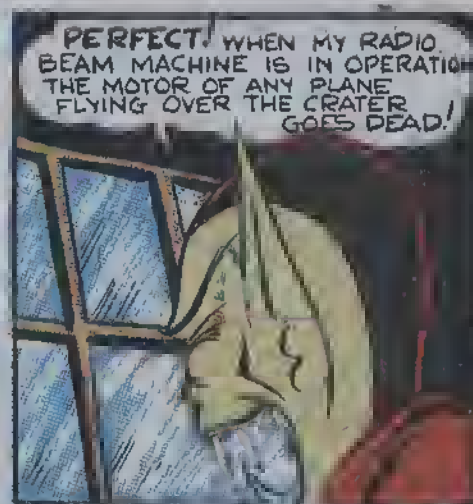
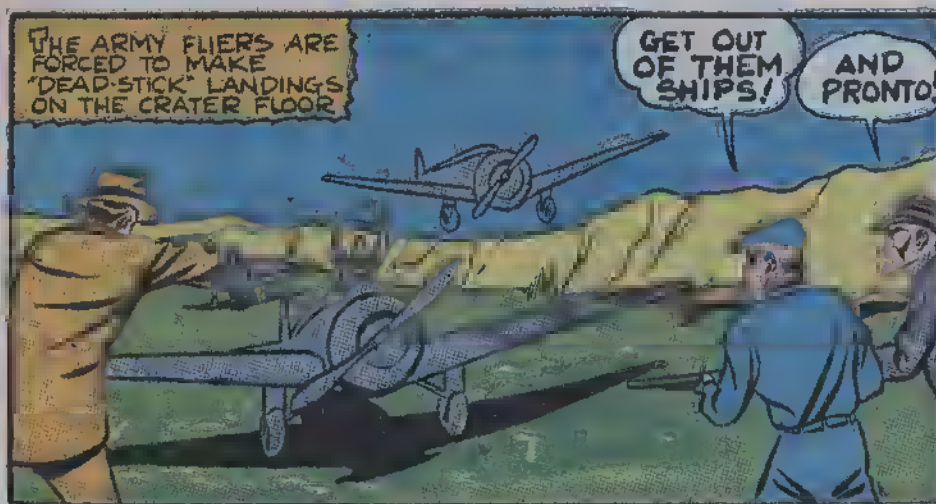
HOWEVER THE CLAW KEEPS HIS HORD AND PROCEEDS TO PLUNDER A TOWN FOR SUPPLIES

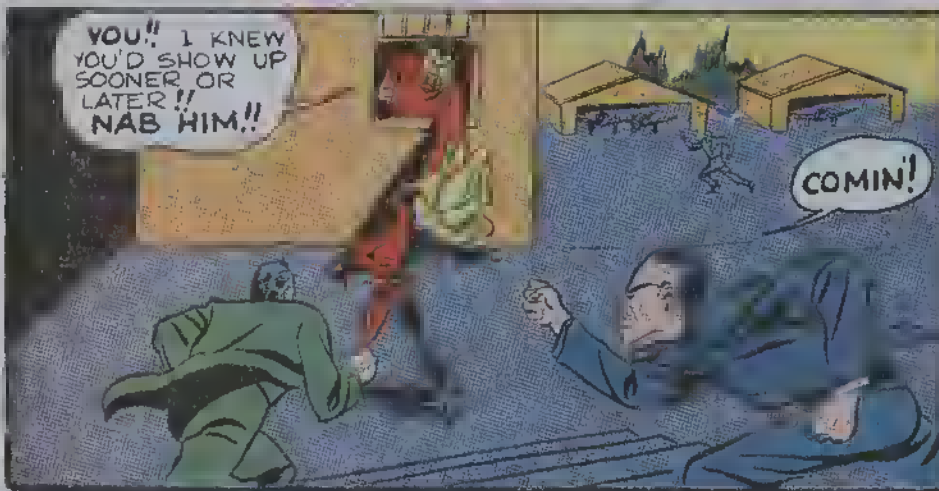
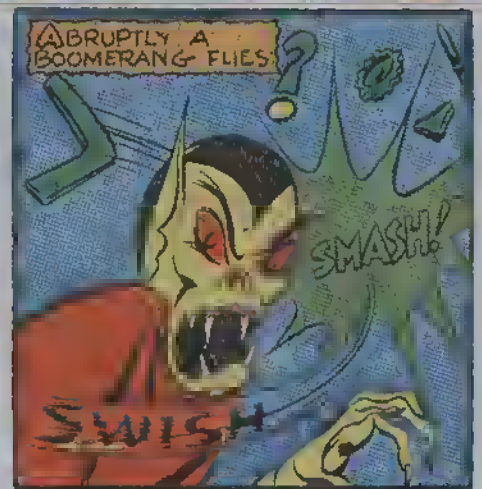
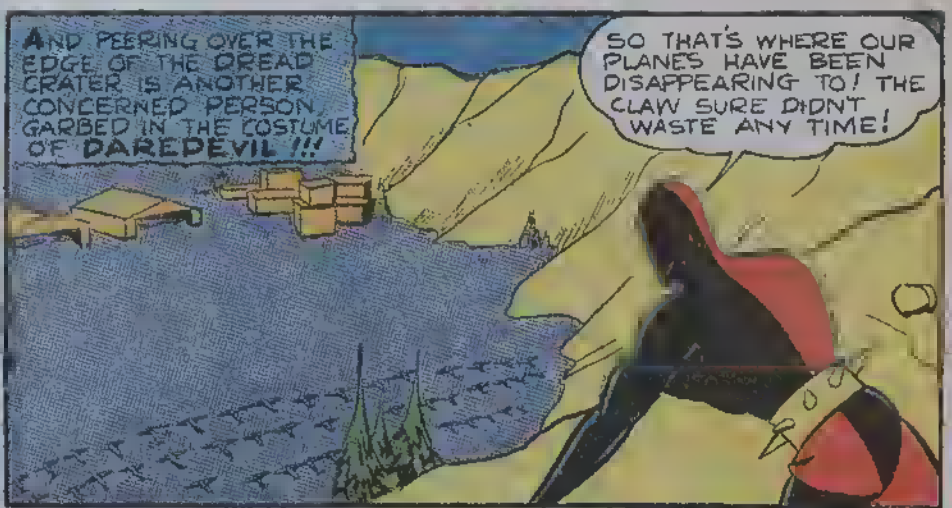
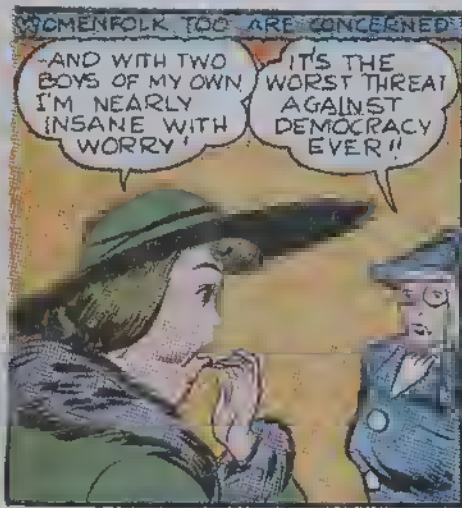
QUIET FOOLS! I ONLY WANT YOUR GOODS!

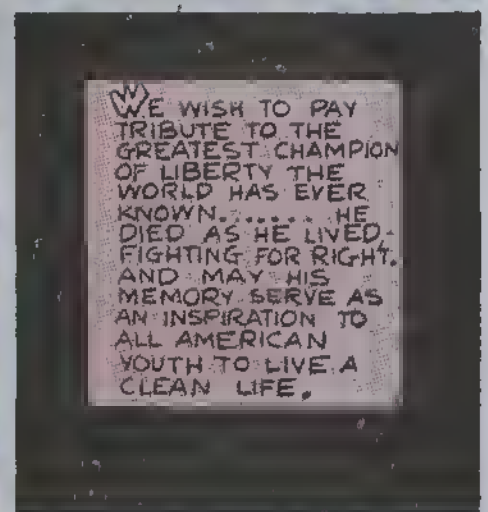
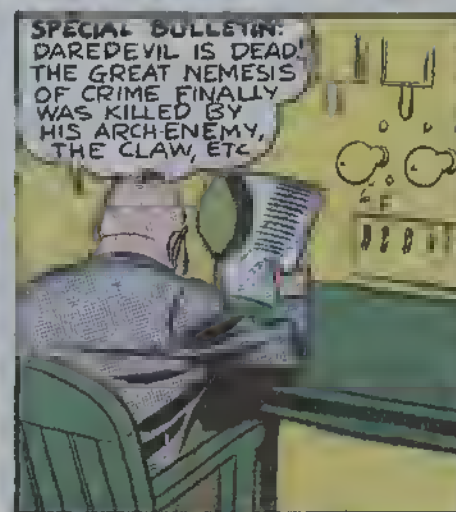
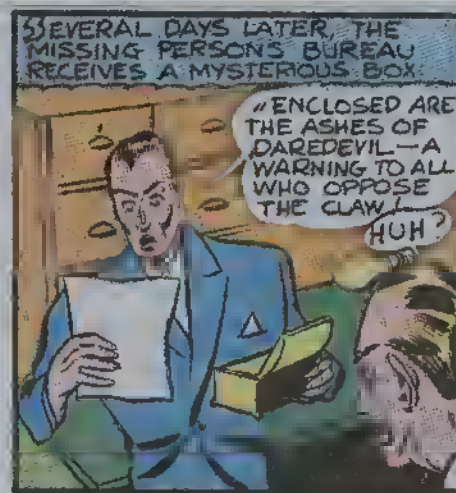
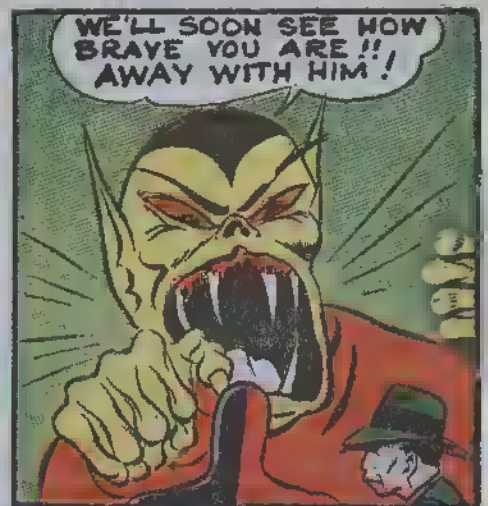
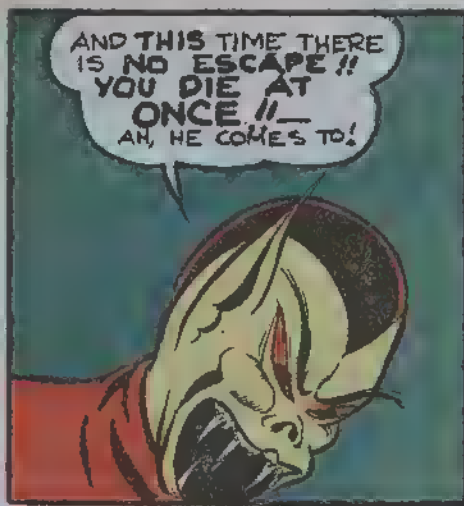
TH! CLAW!

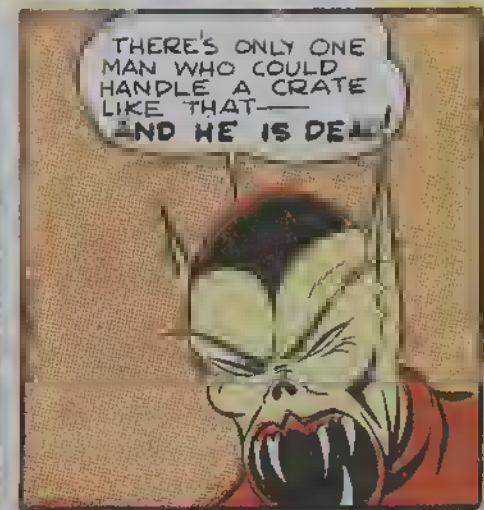
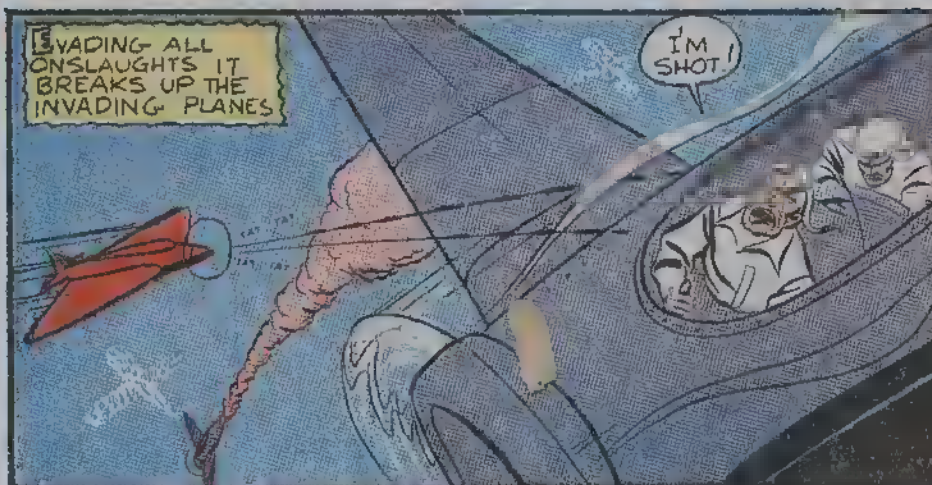
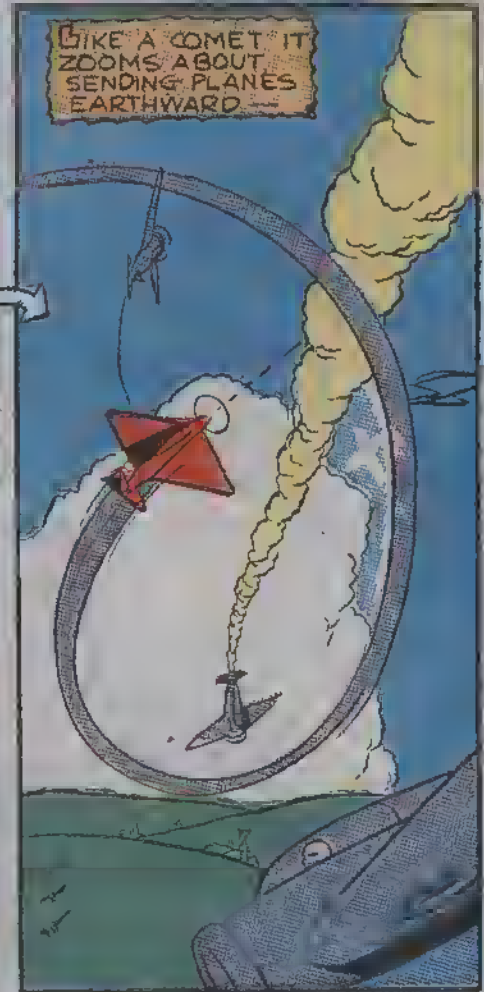
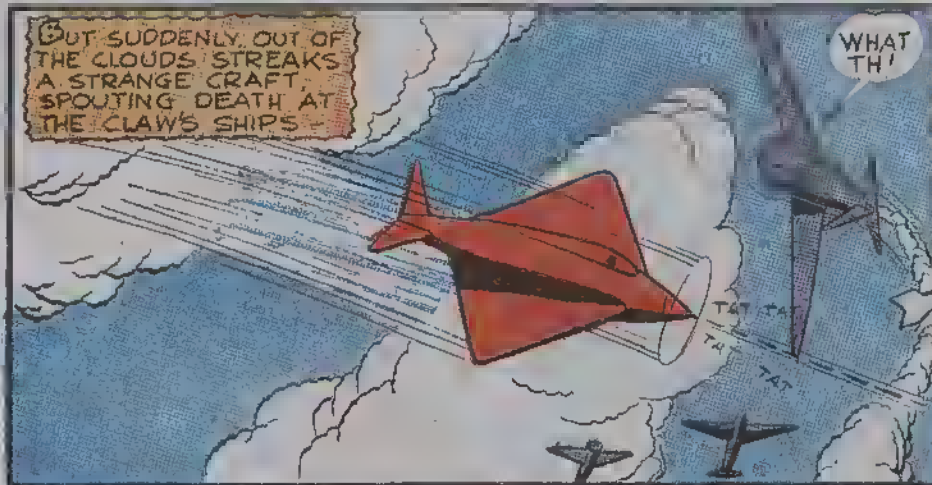
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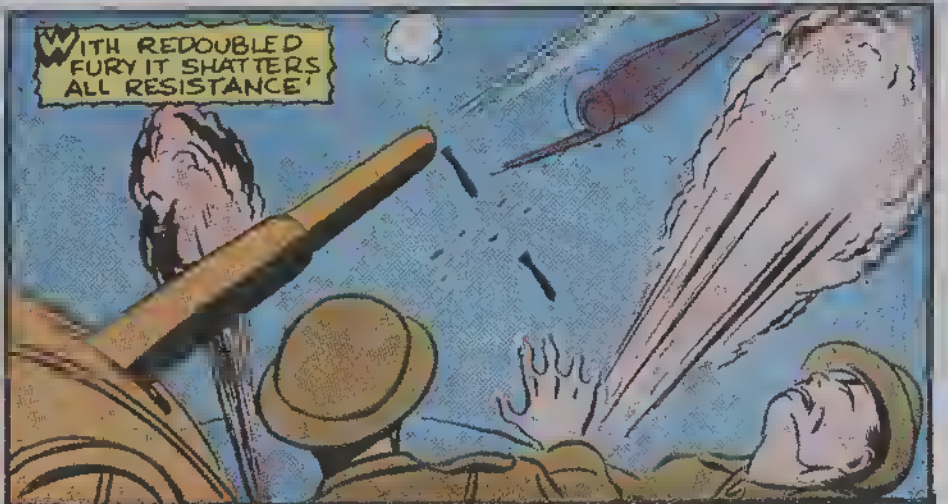


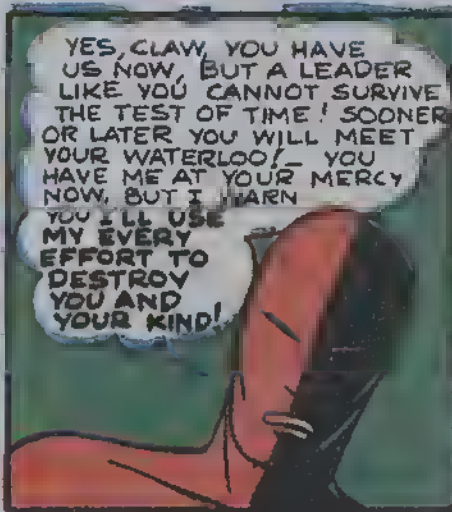
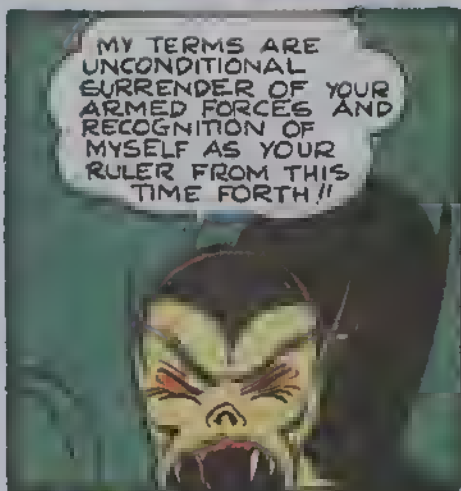
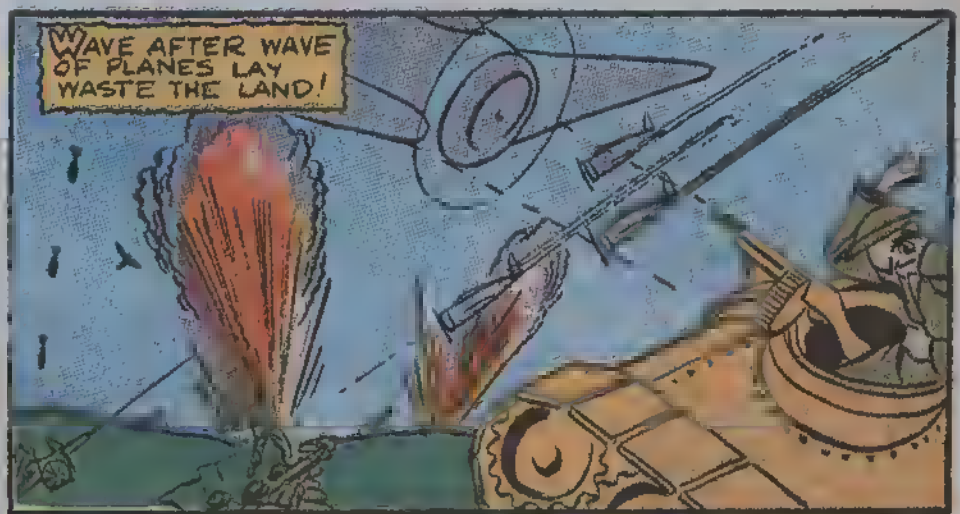








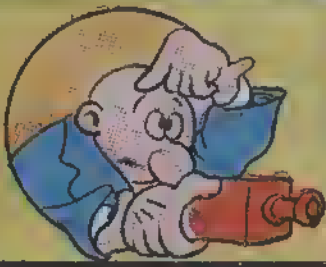




WELL! WELL! SO DAREDEVIL WASN'T KILLED AFTER ALL!! EVEN WE, THE EDITORS WERE FOOLED THAT TIME !!!

BUT HOW WILL DAREDEVIL PULL THE COUNTRY OUT OF SLAVERY? WILL HE PUT DOWN THE CLAW OR SUFFER THE FATE OF HIS BROTHER?

**FOR THE ANSWER, BE SURE TO READ THE NEXT ISSUE OF
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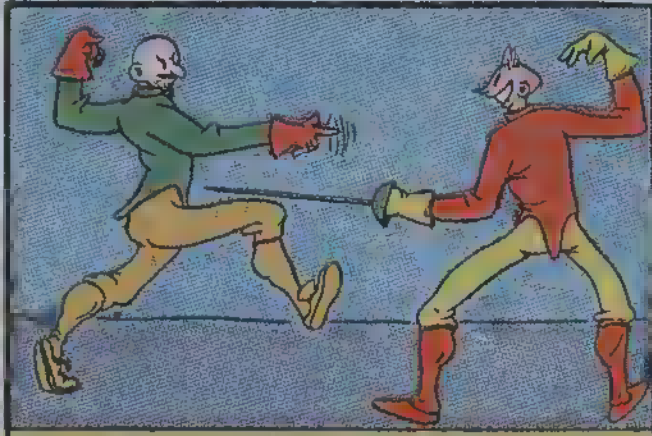


SPORT SHOTS

(ABSENT-MINDED ALBUM)

BY *Ernie Bullnose*

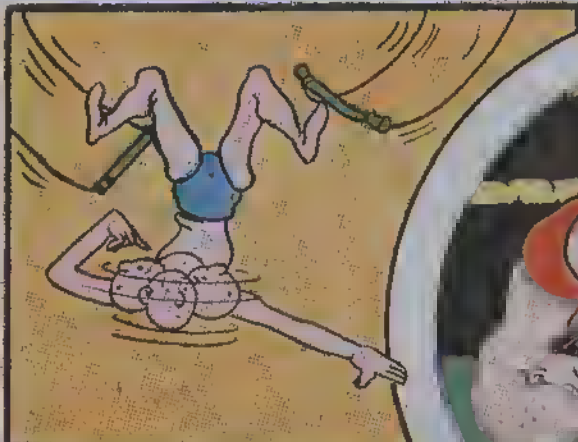
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THIS IS POSITIVELY THE LAST PHOTOGRAPH OF GASTON PIERRE, THE ABSENT-MINDED SWORDSMAN!



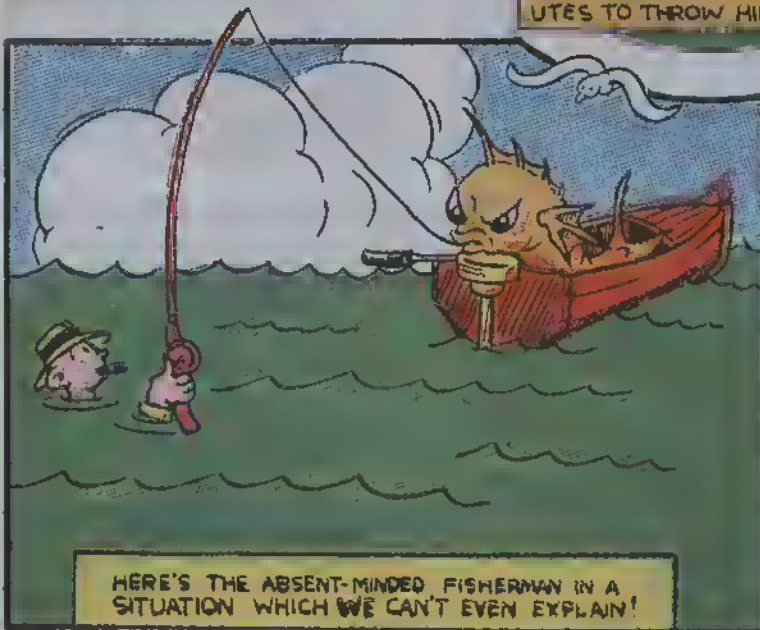
HOMER MCNUTZ, ABSENT-MINDED SLUGGER, HITS A LINE SINGLE WITH THE BALD-HEADED UMPIRE!



THIS IS THE ABSENT-MINDED TRAPEZE ARTIST WHO COULDN'T REMEMBER IF HE WAS COMING OR GOING



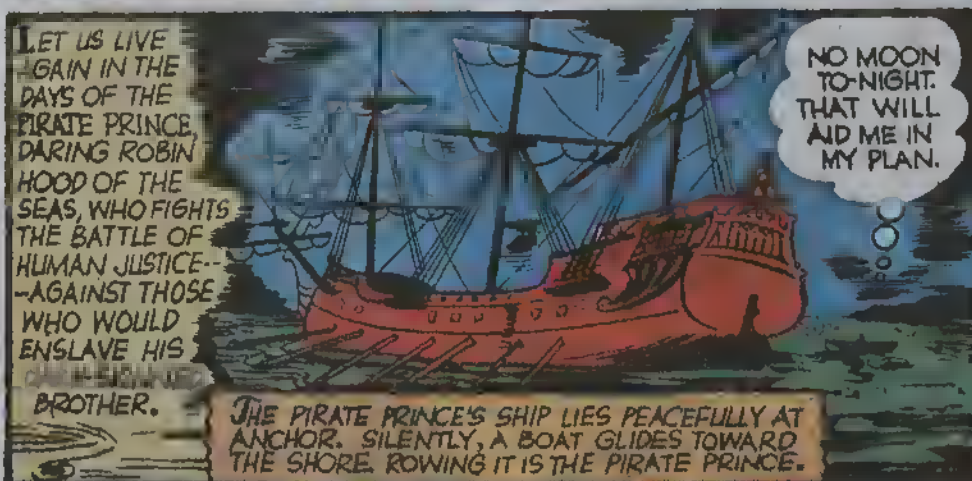
HERE IS GORILLA JONES, THE ABSENT-MINDED WRESTLER, WHO TOOK ONE HOUR AND 10 MINUTES TO THROW HIMSELF!



HERE'S THE ABSENT-MINDED FISHERMAN IN A SITUATION WHICH WE CAN'T EVEN EXPLAIN!

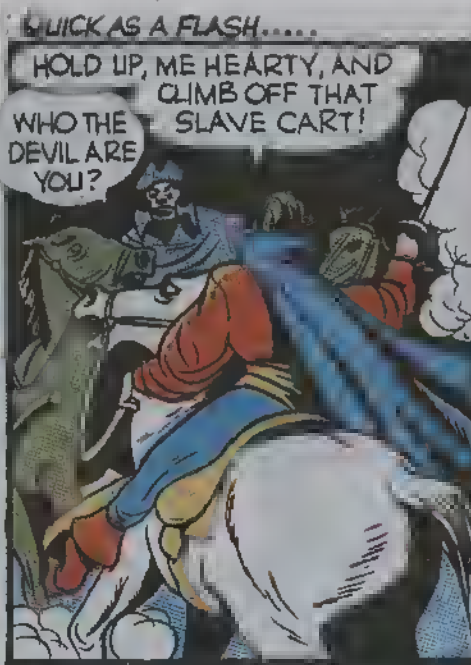


THEN THERE WAS PROFESSOR BUZZLE OF HARVARD WHO SPENT 10 YEARS BUILDING A GLIDER --- HERE WAS HIS FIRST FLIGHT --- !!

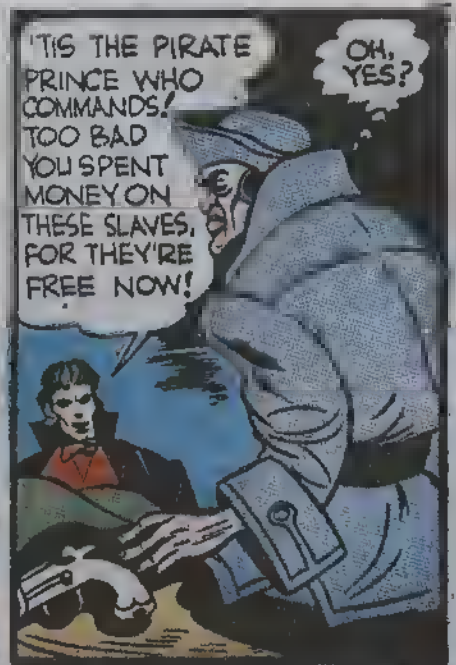




AT LAST! HERE COMES
BOGGS WITH HIS NEW
SLAVES.



QUICK AS A FLASH.....
HOLD UP, ME HEARTY, AND
CLIMB OFF THAT
SLAVE CART!
WHO THE
DEVIL ARE
YOU?



'TIS THE PIRATE
PRINCE WHO
COMMANDS!
TOO BAD
YOU SPENT
MONEY ON
THESE SLAVES,
FOR THEY'RE
FREE NOW!
OH,
YES?

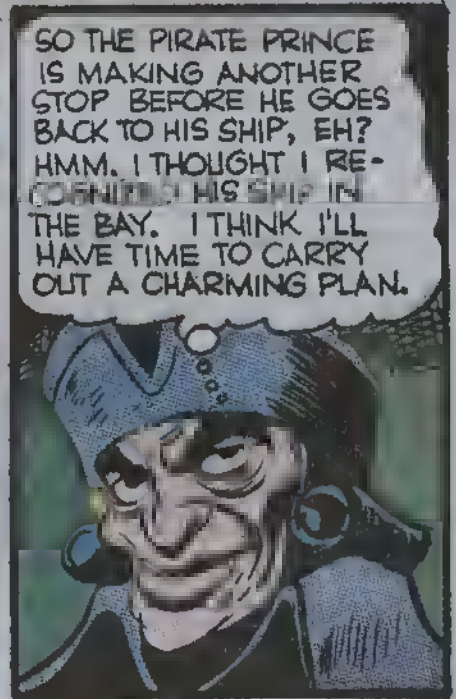


AND
DON'T START
PLAYING WITH
GUNS AT
THE WRONG
TIME!

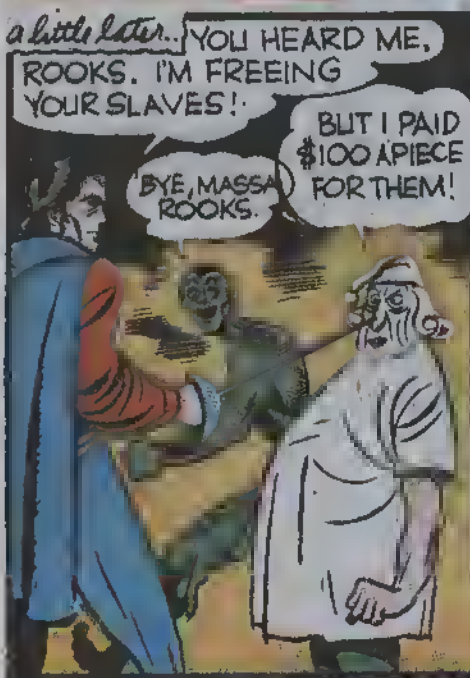


YOUR NEIGHBOR, SQUIRE ROOKS,
WILL FIND HIMSELF IN THE
SAME PREDICAMENT
AS YOU IN
A LITTLE
WHILE.
CHEERIO!

FREE!



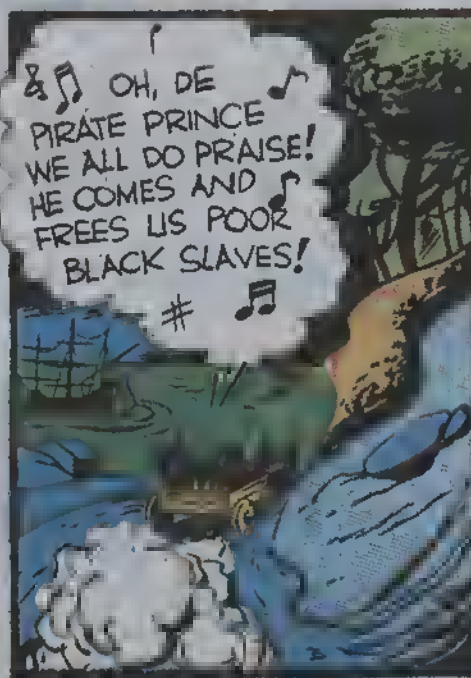
SO THE PIRATE PRINCE
IS MAKING ANOTHER
STOP BEFORE HE GOES
BACK TO HIS SHIP, EH?
HMM. I THOUGHT I RE-
COGNIZED HIS SHIP IN
THE BAY. I THINK I'LL
HAVE TIME TO CARRY
OUT A CHARMING PLAN.



a little later... YOU HEARD ME,
ROOKS. I'M FREEING
YOUR SLAVES!

BYE, MASSA
ROOKS.

BUT I PAID
\$100 A PIECE
FOR THEM!



OH, DE
PIRATE PRINCE
WE ALL DO PRAISE!
HE COMES AND
FREES US POOR
BLACK SLAVES!



ON THE
SHIP ALL RIGHT, BOYS,
TAKE THE OARS
AND PULL AWAY
FOR YOUR HOME--
AFRICA!

SUDDENLY THE PIRATE PRINCE AND HIS
LIBERATED SLAVES ARE CONFRONTED BY...

NOT SO FAST,
MY FRIEND!

WHY--
THESE AREN'T
MY MEN!

WE MEET AGAIN,
PIRATE PRINCE!

DR.
BOGGS!

NATURALLY YOU WONDER
WHAT THIS MEANS. WHILE
YOU WERE GOING TO
SQUIRE ROOKS, AND ALL
YOUR MEN WERE IN A
TAVERN, I SIMPLY TOOK
OVER YOUR SHIP WITH
MY OWN TRUSTY,
CUTTHROAT CREW!

THE NEXT DAY FINDS
THE SHIP MANY MILES
OUT, ROWED BY THE
RECAPTURED SLAVES
AND THE PIRATE
PRINCE, CHAINED TO
THE OARS, THEY ARE
HELPLESS.

I HAVE A PLAN THAT INVOLVES
SACRIFICING OUR DRINKING WATER.
I ALSO MUST PRETEND
TO GROW VERY
WEAK...

HERE COMES BOGGS---

WATER--GIVE ME WATER!

WELL, PRINCE, YOU DON'T
WEAR WELL. HOW DO
YOU LIKE BEING CHAINED
WITH THESE DIRTY RATS?

THEY'RE HUMAN BEINGS
LIKE I AM. ONLY WHEN
YOU COME AROUND
DO I BECOME
SICK.

EACH TIME WATER
IS SERVED, THE
PIRATE PRINCE AND
THE SLAVES POUR
IT ON THE WOOD
THAT HOLDS THE
CHAIN PINS.

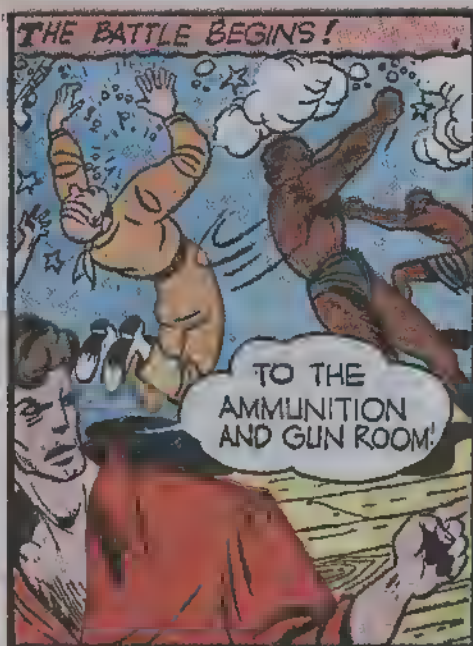
WASTING
WATER,
EH?

ONE NIGHT
WEEKS LATER--

NOW'S THE TIME, BOYS!
HEAVE AWAY AT THOSE
CHAINS! THE WATER WE
SPILLED ROTTED THE
WOOD THAT HOLDS THE
CHAIN PINS.
HEAVE!

THE CHAINS PULL FREE OF THE ROTTED WOOD!

GET GOING, LADS!
EVERY MAN FOR
HIMSELF!



THE BATTLE BEGINS!

TO THE
AMMUNITION
AND GUN ROOM!



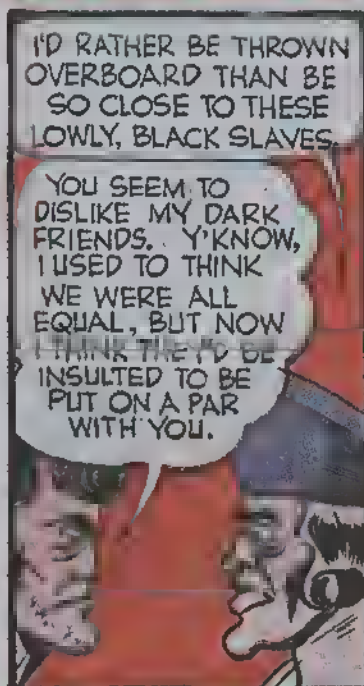
WE GIVE UP!
YOU WIN!

GET GOING
TO THAT
HATCH AND
JUMP IN!

SURE,
WE WILL!
DON'T
SHOOT!



WELL, DR. BOGGS,
THAT'S THE
WAY THE
PIRATE
PRINCE
DOES
THINGS!



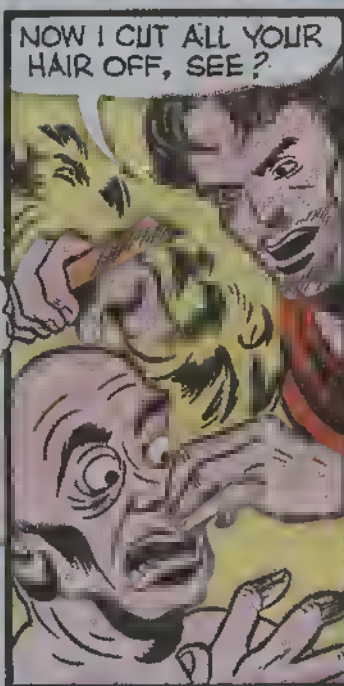
I'D RATHER BE THROWN
OVERBOARD THAN BE
SO CLOSE TO THESE
LOWLY, BLACK SLAVES.

YOU SEEM TO
DISLIKE MY DARK
FRIENDS. Y'KNOW,
I USED TO THINK
WE WERE ALL
EQUAL, BUT NOW
I THINK THEY'D BE
INSULTED TO BE
PUT ON A PAR
WITH YOU.

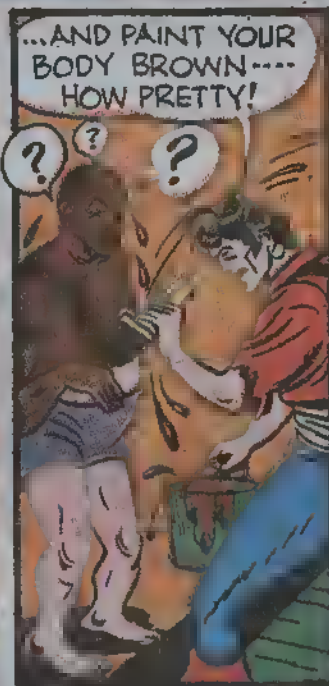


I'M GOING TO GIVE
YOU A TASTE OF
WHAT THESE POOR
CAPTIVES HAVE TO
GO THROUGH AT THE
HANDS OF DEVILS
LIKE YOU. TAKE OFF
YOUR CLOTHES!

THIS IS
AN
OUTRAGE!



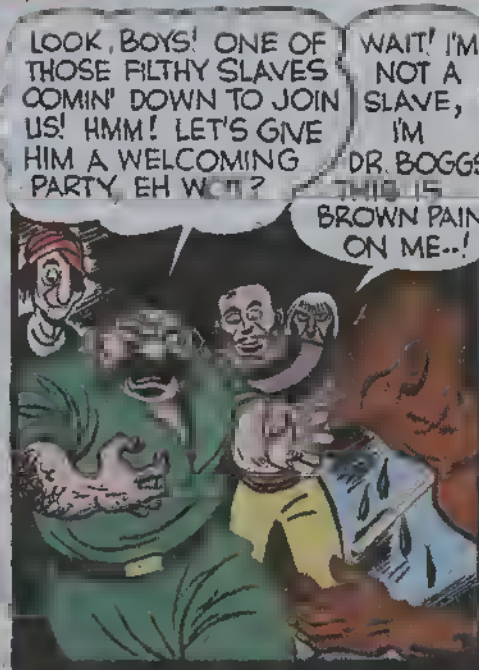
NOW I CUT ALL YOUR
HAIR OFF, SEE?



...AND PAINT YOUR
BODY BROWN----
HOW PRETTY!



NOW GET DOWN
THE HATCH WITH THE
REST OF YOUR FRIENDS!

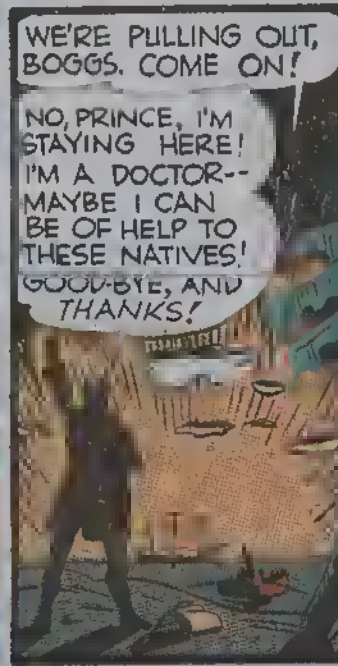
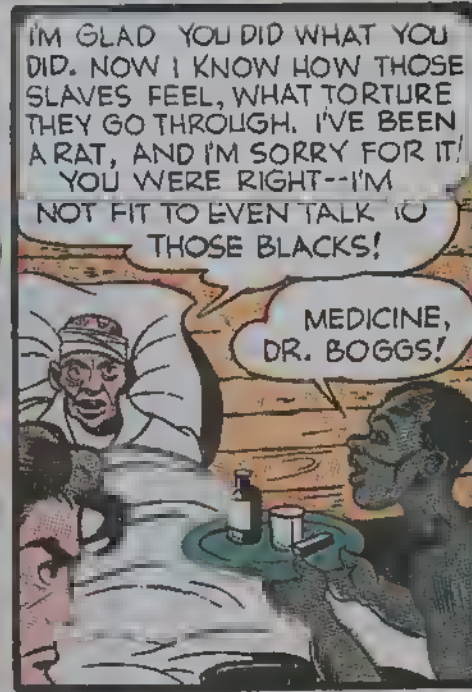


LOOK, BOYS! ONE OF
THOSE FILTHY SLAVES
OOMIN' DOWN TO JOIN
US! HMM! LET'S GIVE
HIM A WELCOMING
PARTY, EH WOT?

WAIT! I'M
NOT A
SLAVE,
I'M
DR. BOGGS!
THIS IS
BROWN PAINT
ON ME--!



BROWN PAINT!!
DON'T MAKE US
LAUGH! PILE INTO
HIM, LADS!



Can You Solve These?

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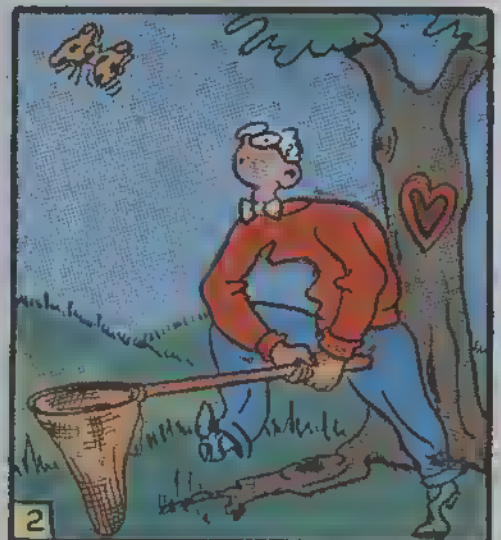
Hunter's Problem

TWO HUNTERS AGREED THAT ONE OF THEM WOULD GET ALL THE HEADS OF THE ANIMALS AND BIRDS THEY SHOT, AND THE OTHER WOULD GET ALL THE FEET. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE FIRST HUNTER GOT 36 HEADS. THE OTHER GOT 100 FEET. HOW MANY BIRDS AND HOW MANY ANIMALS DID THE TWO HUNTERS SHOOT TO MAKE THIS DIVISION POSSIBLE?

Find The Ball Players

[Box 1] MIX THE YELLOW AND THE BLUE ON THE ARTIST'S PALETTE. THE RESULTING COLOR PLUS A SPOKEN WORD BY THE ARTIST WILL GIVE A FAMOUS FIRST BASEMAN.

[Box 2] IN THIS BOX THE COMBINATION OF TWO THINGS GIVES US A VERY FAMOUS CATCHER, MANAGER, AND NOW PLAYING COACH FOR A NATIONAL LEAGUE TEAM.



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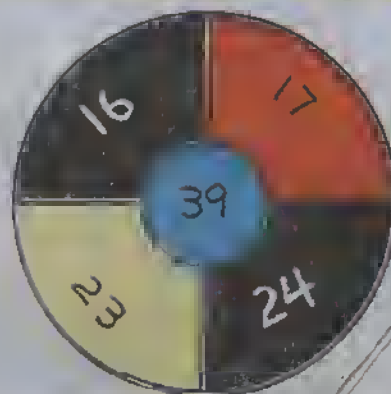
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Square The Vicar
CAN YOU COMPLETE THE WORD SQUARE SO THAT ALL WORDS FILLED IN HORIZONTALLY WILL GIVE THE SAME WORDS VERTICALLY?

Target Score

THIS LOOKS SIMPLE - MAYBE IT IS! HOW MANY SHOTS WERE FIRED, AND WHICH NUMBERS WERE HIT TO ROLL UP THE SCORE OF 100 ON THE TARGET?



Answers! (DO NOT PEEK!)

Hunters Problem:

22 BIRDS AND 14 ANIMALS

Find The Ball Players:

[Box 1] GREEN + BURG GIVES GREENBERG, DETROIT FIRST BASEMAN.

[Box 2] HEART + NET GIVES HARTNETT, NEW GIANT PLAYER-COACH

Square The Vicar:

V I C A R
I R A T E
C A N O N
A T O N E
R E N E W

Target Score: TWO 16'S AND FOUR 17'S WERE SCORED

SILVER STREAK

AND WHIZ

KING OF FALCONS -
THE WORLD'S
FASTEST BIRD -

WITH SPEED FASTER THAN A BOLT OF LIGHTNING SILVER STREAK, MIGHTY CRUSADER FOR JUSTICE, ZOOMS TO THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH WITH HIS WINGED COLLEAGUE, WHIZ, THE MOST AMAZING BIRD EVER KNOWN.

BOB WOOD

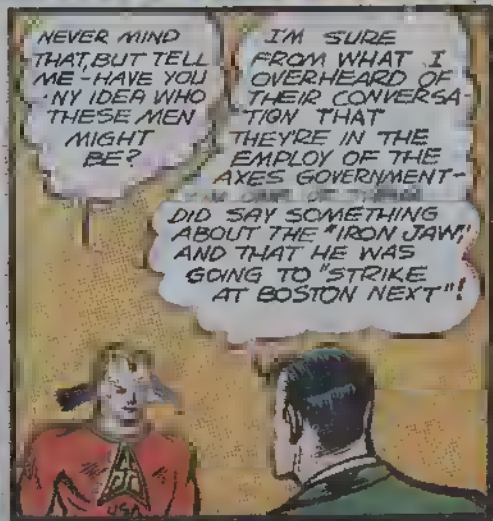
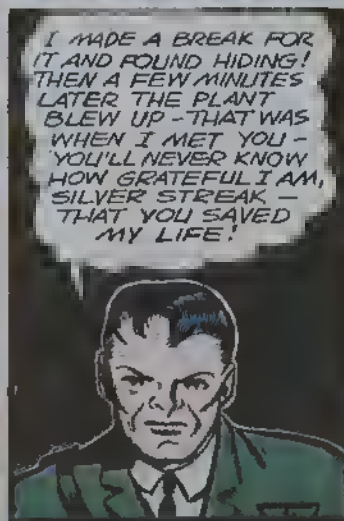
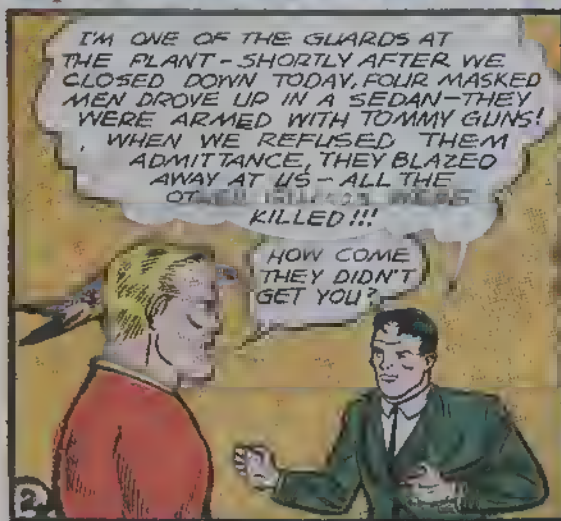
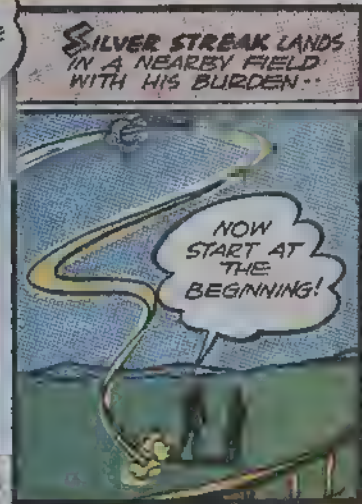
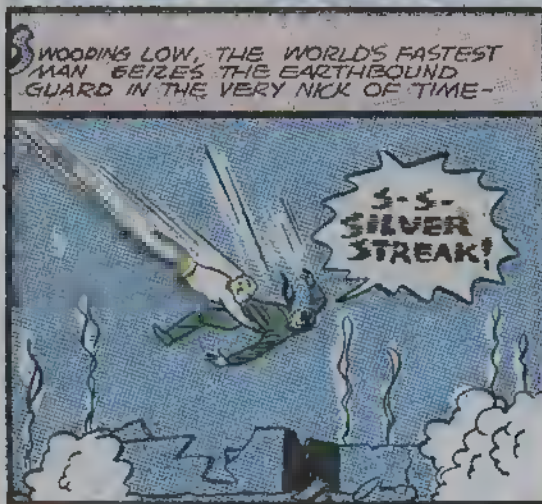
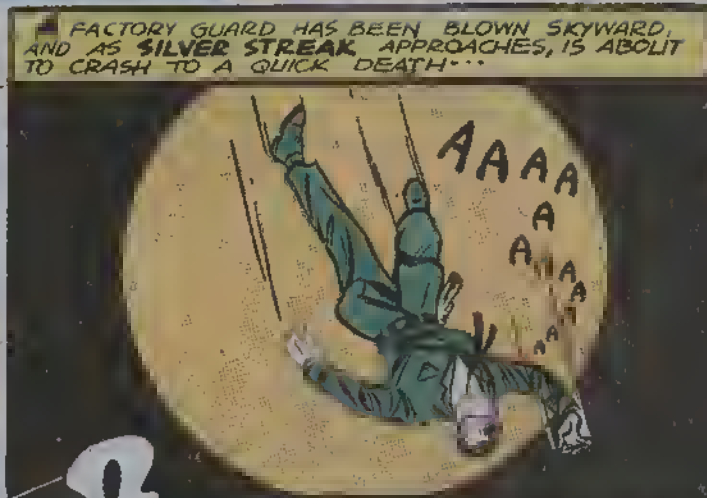
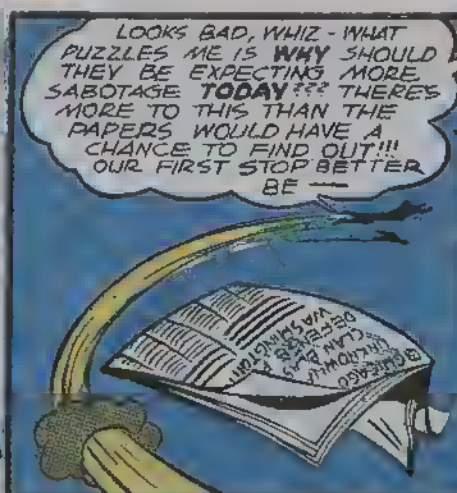
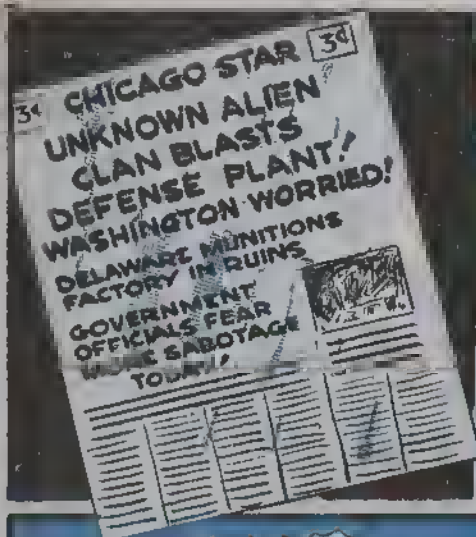
VACATIONING IN ARGENTINA, LITTLE DOES THE WORLD'S FASTEST MAN REALIZE THAT AT THIS VERY MOMENT, A SERIES OF SABOTAGE CRIMES ARE ALREADY IN PROCESS, SO CLEVERLY EXECUTED THAT ONLY A MAN OF HIS CAPABILITIES COULD HOPE TO SOLVE THEM.

I SENT WHIZ BACK TO THE STATES FOR A NEWSPAPER!!! HE'S BEEN GONE ALMOST THREE MINUTES NOW - HOPE HE HASN'T RUN INTO TROUBLE!!!

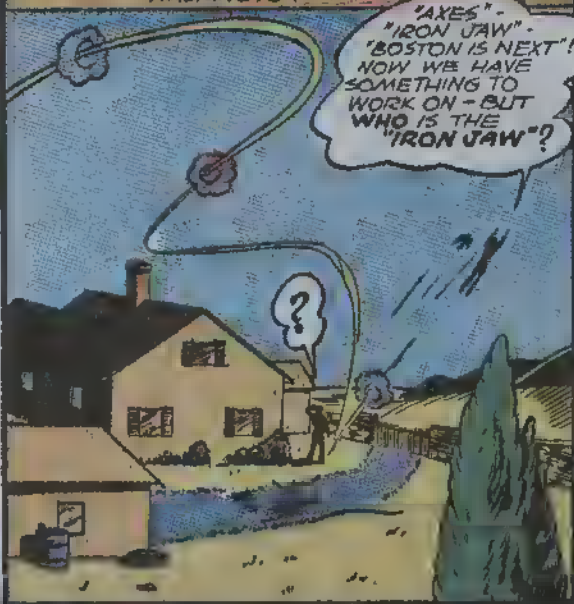
— JUST THEN —
CIRCLING HIGH ABOVE —

WHIZ!
YOU HAD ME WORRIED FOR A MINUTE!

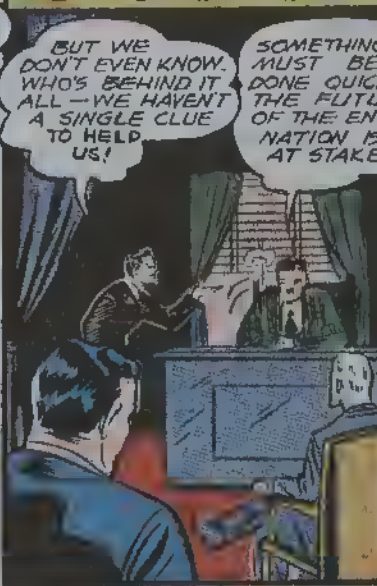
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GO WAY TO CHICAGO, WHIZ. A NEW ORLEANS PAPER WOULD HAVE BEEN GOOD ENOUGH!!!
HEY!!!...WHAT'S THIS?



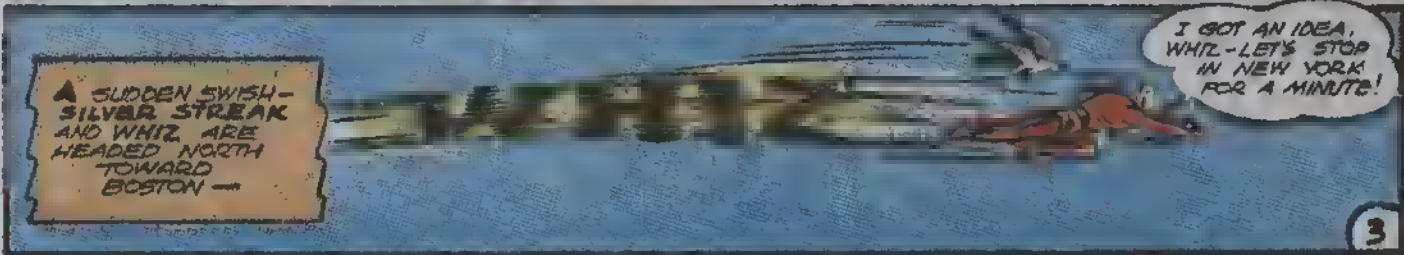
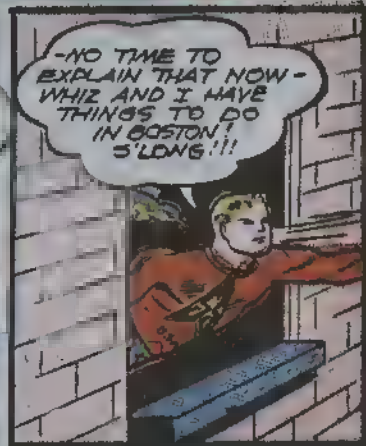
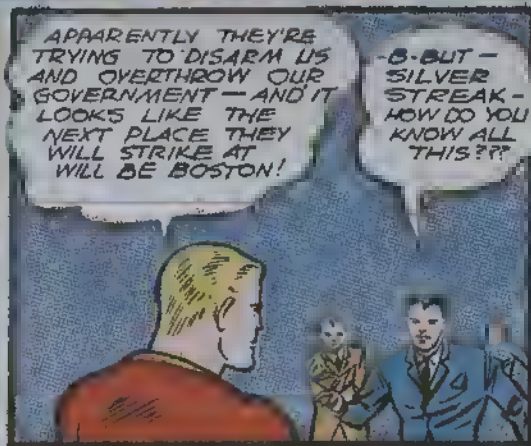
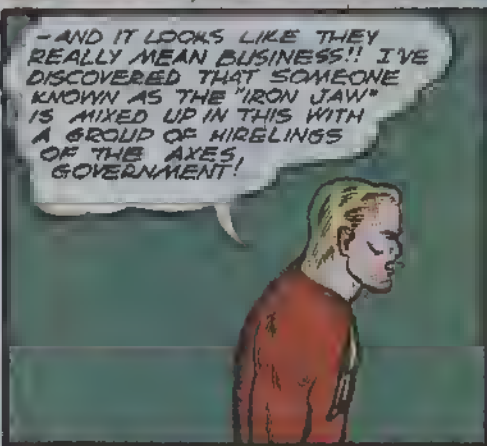
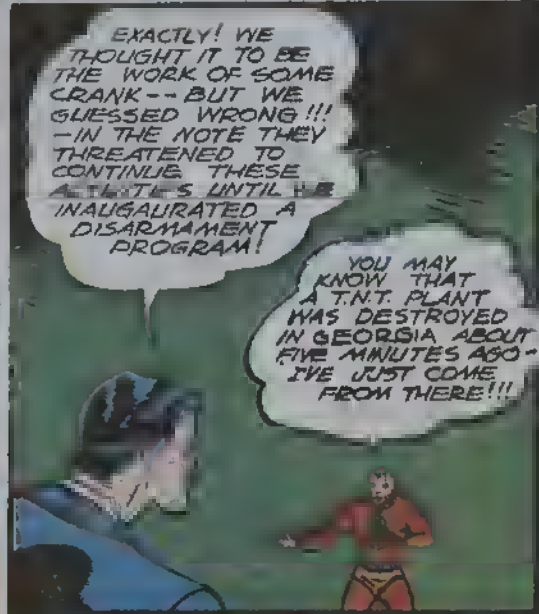
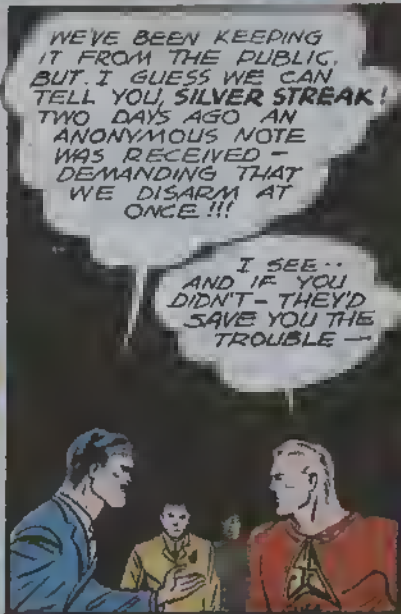
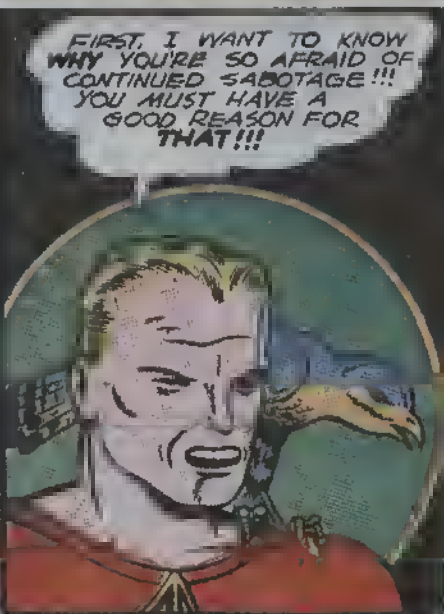
DEPOSITING THE ASTONISHED MAN AT HIS DOORSTEP THE PAIR CONTINUE ON TO WASHINGTON--



WASHINGTON - THE COUNTRY'S ACE G-MEN MEET IN AN EFFORT TO AVERT FURTHER TRAGEDY.



JUST THEN--



A SUDDEN SWISH - SILVER STREAK AND WHIZ ARE HEADED NORTH TOWARD BOSTON -

I GOT AN IDEA, WHIZ - LET'S STOP IN NEW YORK FOR A MINUTE!

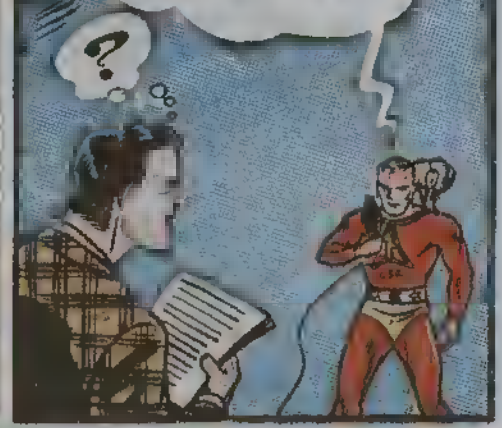
C.B.C. STUDIOS IN MIDTOWN
NEW YORK - JIMMY FIDDLE,
IS IN THE MIDST OF HIS
WEEKLY COAST TO COAST
NEWS BROADCAST -

PARDON ME
A MINUTE, MR.
FIDDLE - I WANT
TO BORROW
THAT 'MIKE'

IT'S - IT'S
SILVER STREAK!

CITIZENS OF AMERICA -
AN AGGRESSOR NATION
IS ATTEMPTING TO DISARM
US AND DESTROY OUR
LIBERTIES!!! WE
MUST STOP
THEM!!!

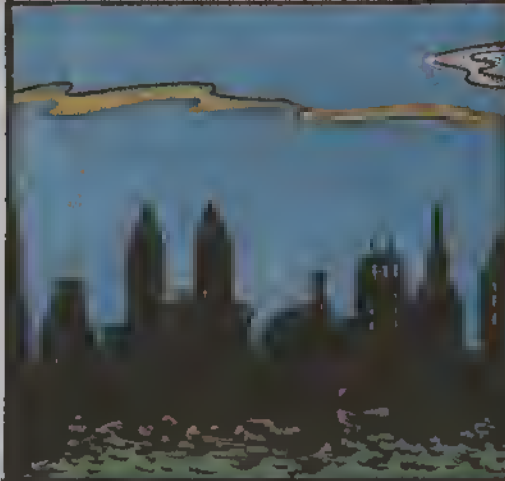
I HAVE GOOD REASON
TO BELIEVE THAT BOSTON
IS NEXT ON THEIR LIST!!!
ANY INDUSTRIES IN BOSTON
BENEFICIAL TO OUR DEFENSE
PROGRAM SHOULD BE ON
THE LOOKOUT AND
PREPARED TO
MEET THEM!



PEACEFUL, HISTORIC BOSTON - THE
LAND OF THE BEAN AND THE
COD - BUT EVEN SILVER STREAK'S
RADIO MESSAGE HAS NOT BEEN
AMPLE WARNING TO ITS
POPULACE OF THE IMPENDING
DISASTER THEY ARE ABOUT
TO SUFFER -

ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY
WITH SILVER STREAK'S
WORDS THE BOSTON
CHEMICAL WORKS IS
BLOWN SKY HIGH -
BRINGING DEATH TO
MORE THAN THREE
THOUSAND EMPLOYEES -

THE TWO MASTERS OF SPEED
SOON REACH BOSTON - TO FIND
THAT TRAGEDY HAS ALREADY
STRICKEN THE CITY -



SILVER STREAK!!!
YOU WERE
RIGHT!
THE CHEMICAL
PLANT WAS
JUST
BLOWN
UP.

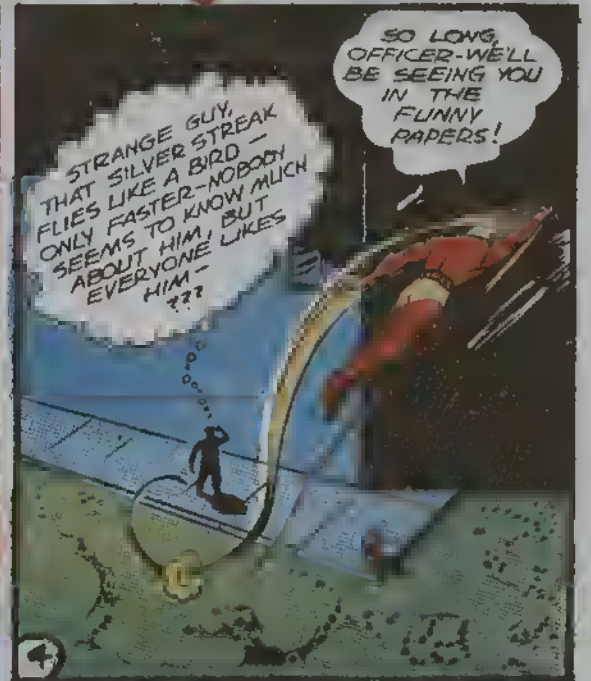
WE HEARD YOU ON
THE RADIO - AND HAVE
ORDERED EVERY PLANT
THAT THEY MIGHT BE
AFTER EVACUATED AT ONCE
AND PUT UNDER HEAVY GUARD!
WE HAD HARDLY ISSUED THE
ORDER WHEN THEY GOT
THE CHEMICAL
WORKS!

THAT'S TOUGH -
TELL ME, WHAT'S
THE NEXT MOST
LIKELY PLACE
THEY MIGHT
WANT TO DESTROY?

THE GATES ARMS
PLANT OVER ON
BOND STREET
MIGHT BE A GOOD
BET! - IT'S ONE
OF THE LARGEST
MUNITIONS WORKS
IN THIS PART OF
THE COUNTRY!

STRANGE GUY,
THAT SILVER STREAK
FLIES LIKE A BIRD -
ONLY FASTER - NOBODY
SEEMS TO KNOW MUCH
ABOUT HIM! BUT
EVERYONE LIKES
HIM -
HIM -
???

SO LONG,
OFFICER - WE'LL
BE SEEING YOU
IN THE
FUNNY
PAPERS!

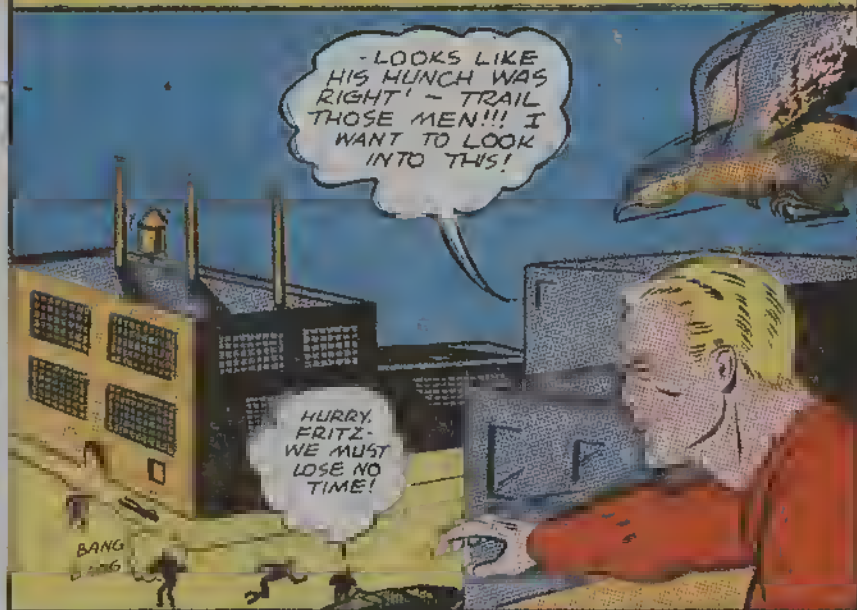


SILVER STREAK AND WHIZ SOAR HIGH ABOVE THE CITY-UNTIL-



THAT MUST BE IT UP AHEAD, WHIZ

THEY SOON REACH THE ARMS PLANT -



-LOOKS LIKE HIS HUNCH WAS RIGHT! - TRAIL THOSE MEN!!! I WANT TO LOOK INTO THIS!

HURRY, FRITZ - WE MUST LOSE NO TIME!

LEAVING WHIZ TO PURSUE THE FLEEING MEN, SILVER STREAK SWOOPS DOWN TO THE WOUNDED GUARD -



-ANYONE ELSE ???

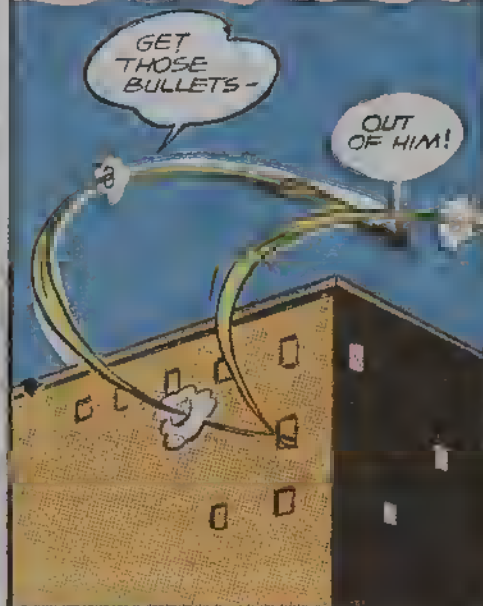
NO - EXCEPT THREE DEAD GUARDS - TWO OF US GOT AWAY!!! -LOOKS LIKE I'M A GONER, TOO!

TH- THEY PLANTED D-DYNAMITE INSIDE--

NEVER MIND THAT! YOU NEED A DOCTOR - WHERE'S THE NEAREST HOSPITAL???



IN AND OUT OF A NEARBY HOSPITAL IN A FLASH, SILVER STREAK QUICKLY DEPOSITS THE GUARD AND STARTS BACK -



GET THOSE BULLETS -

OUT OF HIM!

BUT BEFORE THE STREAK CAN RETURN TO THE ARMS PLANT, THE PLACE IS A MASS OF RUINS -



TOO LATE!!! WONDER HOW WHIZ MADE OUT?

BOOM!

ALMOST AS IF IN ANSWER TO HIS MASTER'S WORDS, THE WORLD'S MOST DYNAMIC BIRD ARRIVES BACK



INSTINCTIVELY WHIZ LEADS SILVER STREAK IN PURSUIT OF THE SABOTEURS -



THIS WAY, WHIZ?

BEFORE THE GUNMEN REACH THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY SILVER STREAK AND WHIZ OVERTAKE THEM —



SWOOPING LOW, SILVER STREAK SEIZES THE DRIVER BY HIS COAT COLLAR



SNATCHING HIM FROM THE CAR, THE WORLD'S FASTEST MAN SMASHES HIM WITH A LIGHTENING LEFT HOOK —



MEANWHILE, THE RUNAWAY CAR SWERVES AND CAREENS INTO A LAMP POST



— BEFORE THE HORRIFIED THUGS CAN GET AWAY —



— AN UNCANNY SIGHT — SO FAST DOES SILVER STREAK STRIKE, THAT HE SEEMS TO BE IN TWO PLACES AT ONCE !!!



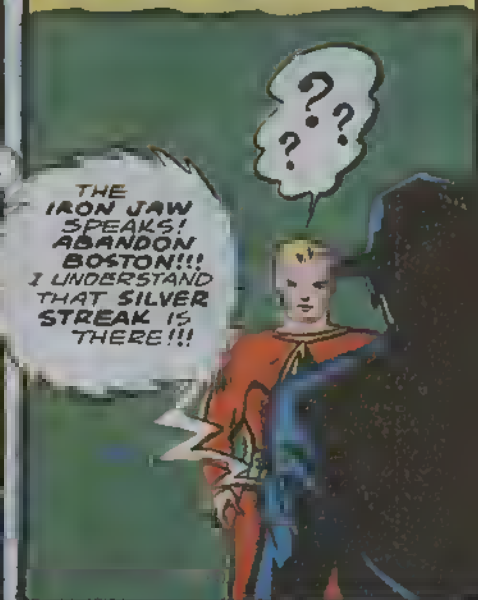
BUT FAITHFUL WHIZ, ALWAYS ON THE ALERT, HAS NOT FAILED —

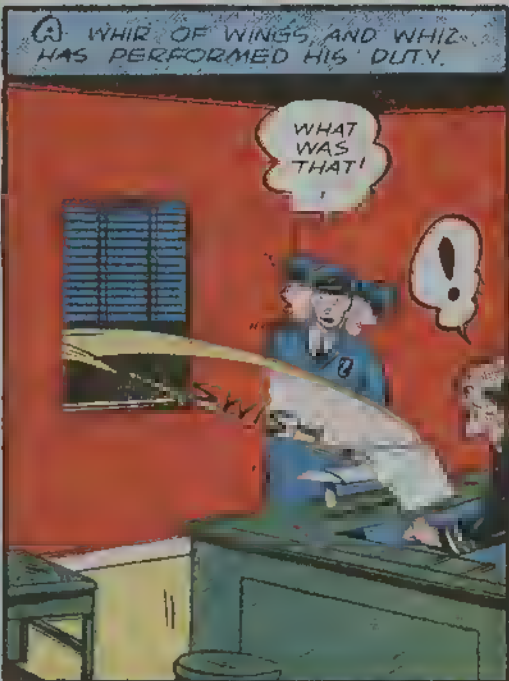


C'MON, NOW — TALK, AND TALK FAST!!! — OR I'LL TURN WHIZ ON YOU AGAIN! WHO IS THE IRON JAW, AND WHERE IS HE???



SUDDENLY, A STRANGE THING HAPPENS — FROM INSIDE THE MAN'S COAT COMES A VOICE —





YOU WILL FIND THE FOUR MEN WHO BLEW UP THE GATES ARMS PLANT WAITING FOR YOU AT THE CORNER OF TREMONT AND SCHOOL STREET -

Silver Streak



THE BURNS STEEL WORKS, FIVE THOUSAND EMPLOYEES, UNAWARE OF IMPENDING DISASTER PURSUE THEIR DUTIES -

WHILE ABOVE ON THE ROOF AXES HENCHMEN, SURPRIZED IN THEIR ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP THE PLANT, ARE OVERPOWERING COMPANY GUARDS IN A FLEE FOR ALL -



GIVE THOUSAND LIVES AT STAKE - AS SILVER STREAK AND WHIZ APPROACH - WILL THEY BE ABLE TO PREVENT THE CATASTROPHE?



HOPE WERE NOT TOO LATE

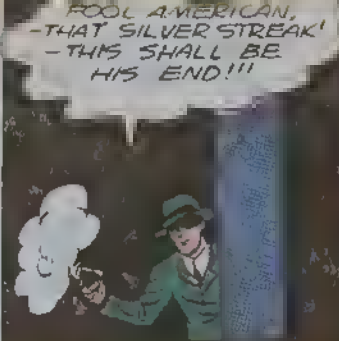
WITH THE FLURY OF A MAD TIGER, AND WITH INDESCRIBABLE SPEED, SILVER STREAK MAKES SHORT WORK OF THE ALIENS -

-BUT UN-NOTICED, THERE LURKS NEARBY -

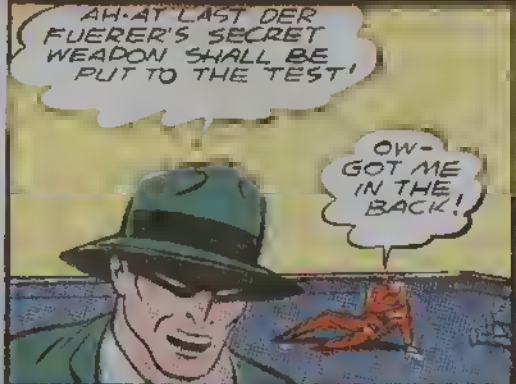
SILVER STREAK GOES DOWN -



ANY MORE WHIZ?



FOOL AMERICAN, -THAT SILVER STREAK! -THIS SHALL BE HIS END!!



AH-AT LAST DER FUERER'S SECRET WEAPON SHALL BE PUT TO THE TEST!

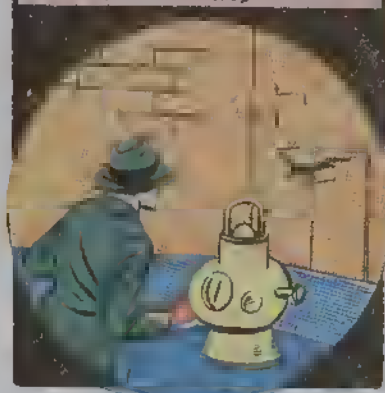
OW-GOT ME IN THE BACK!

THE SABOTEUR SOON REACHES THE BASEMENT, BUT BEFORE HE CAN PREPARE THE MYSTERIOUS WEAPON FOR DETONATION, WHIZ APPEARS -

ON A FLASH THE UNCANNY BIRD IS WHIRLING AROUND AND AROUND ITS STARTLED FOE

DIZZYNESS SOON OVER TAKES THE ALIEN, RENDERING HIM HELDLESS, AS WHIZ SPEEDS OFF WITH THE STRANGE NEW WEAPON, BACK TO HIS WOUNDED MASTER -

MOMENTS LATER THE POLICE ARRIVE TO TAKE THE SABOTEURS INTO CUSTODY -



21 PITTSBURGH NEWS
SILVER STREAK AND WHIZ SAVE 5000 LIVES!!! SECRET WEAPON OF AGRESSOR NATION UNCOVERED!!!
SILVER STREAK WOUNDED IN MELEE AT BURNS STEEL MILLS!!!
 PRESIDENT SENDS CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO SILVER STREAK!
 BOMB SQUAD DISCOVERS SECRET WEAPON TO BE A DEADLY NERVE GAS OF NITRO GLYCERINE COMPOUND!!!

-NEXT DAY-

IT'S NOT A SERIOUS WOUND, SILVER STREAK! -YOU'LL BE UP AND AROUND IN TWO OR THREE DAYS!!!

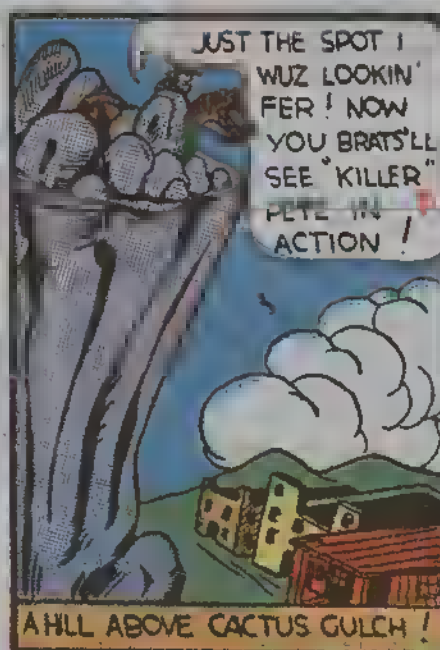
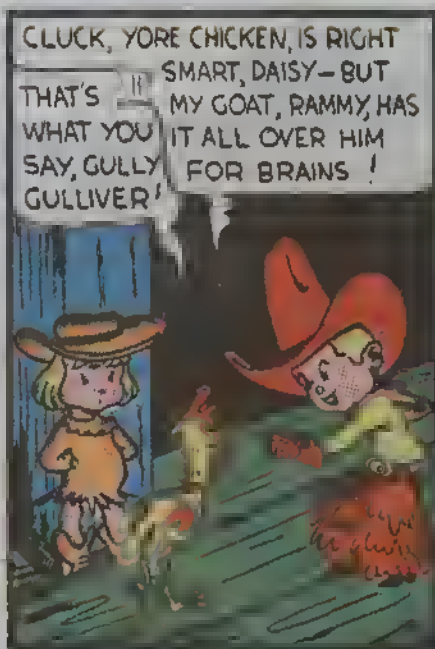
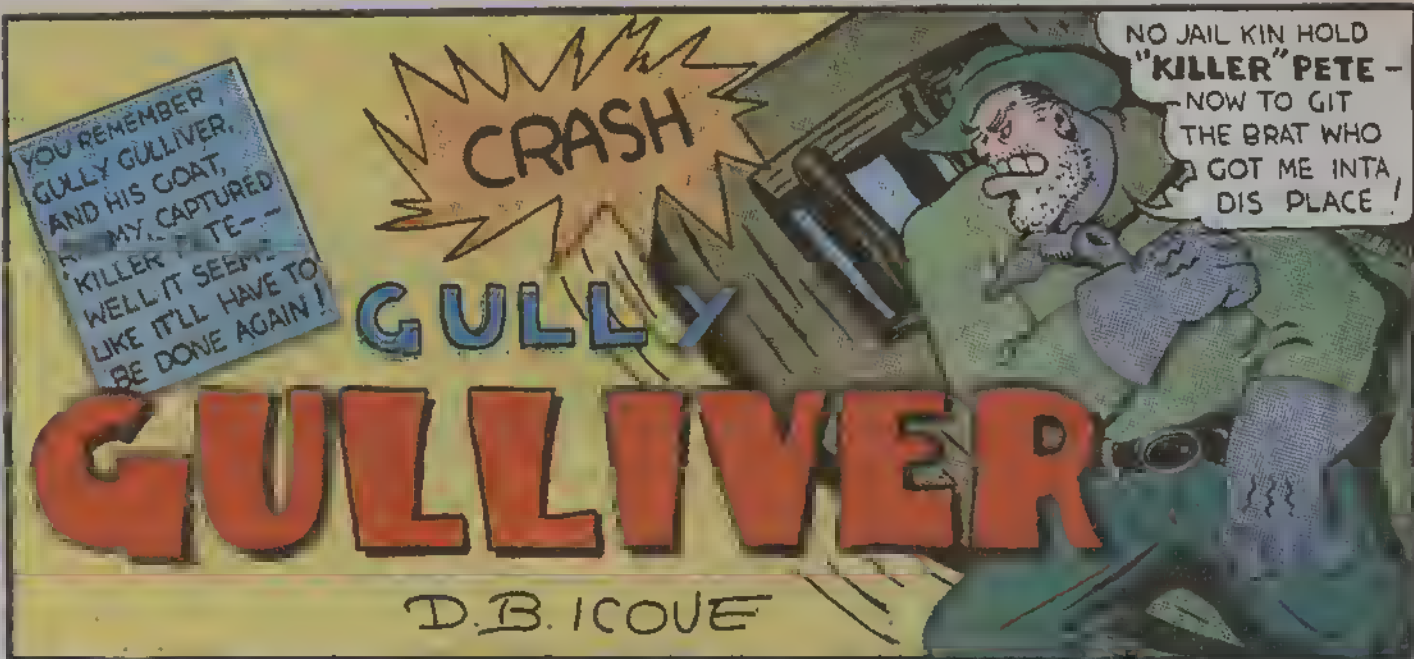
HE DOESN'T KNOW IT, WHIZ, BUT I'M GOING TO BE UP AND AROUND A LOT SOONER THAN THAT!! -WE'RE NOT STOPPING UNTIL WEVE HAD A SHOWDOWN WITH THE IRON JAW!

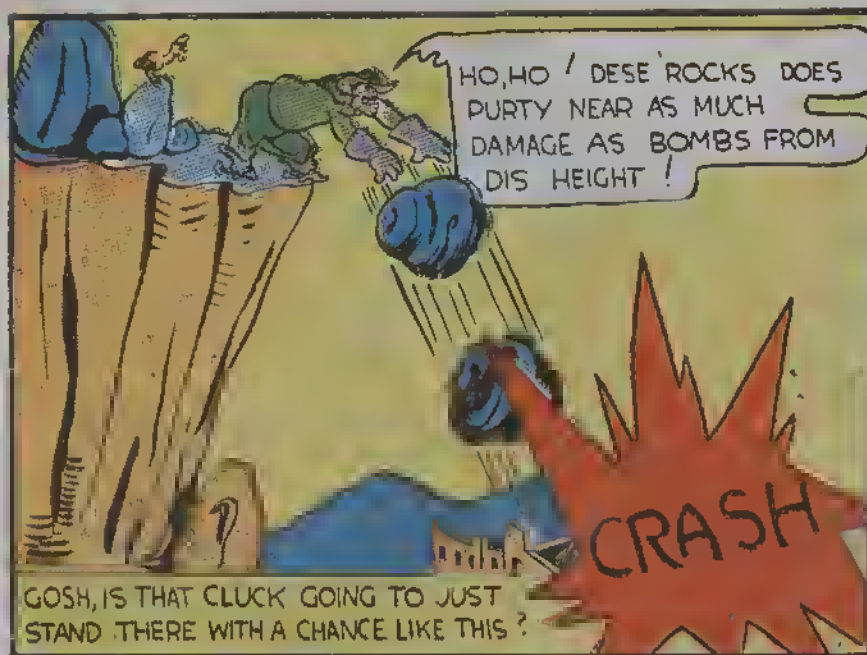
-BUT THE SAFETY OF OUR NATION IS STILL AT STAKE -

SILVER STREAK REALLY GOES TO TOWN WHEN HE MEETS UP WITH THE MOST AMAZING CRIMINAL EVER KNOWN - THE "IRON JAW"

IN NEXT MONTH'S SILVER STREAK COMICS!







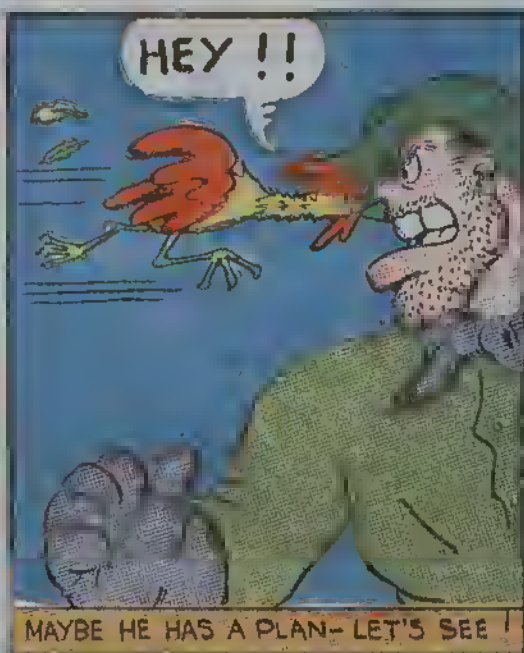
GOSH, IS THAT CLUCK GOING TO JUST STAND THERE WITH A CHANCE LIKE THIS?



I GUESS WE CAN GIVE UP NOW!



NO, WAIT! SOMETHING'S COME OVER CLUCK!



MAYBE HE HAS A PLAN- LET'S SEE!



HOLD YOUR BREATH!



WHOOPS!



WATCH HOW RUSTLERS ARE HANDLED IN NEXT ISSUE OF "SILVER STREAK"!

CLOUD CURTIS

And his GOLDEN BULLET

CLOUD CURTIS AND HIS WONDER-PLANE, THE GOLDEN BULLET, ARE CALLED UPON TO COMBAT THE MOST SERIOUS THREAT AMERICA'S AIR INDUSTRY EVER FACED... THE NOTORIOUS GANG CALLED THE "WINGERS"!

LOOK, CLOUD! A WRECKED PLANE!

CLOUD FINDS A CENTRAL MAIL PLANE WRECKED IN THE HEART OF THE DESERT....

S.S. SNOW ON THE WING...
WHAT HAPPENED, BUD?

SNOW? THE POOR CHAP IS DELIRIOUS!

STRANGE HE SHOULD MENTION SNOW ON THE WING... HMM...

LATER, AT CENTRAL AIRPORT.

IT'S A SHAME WE COULDN'T GET THAT PILOT TO A HOSPITAL BEFORE HE DIED!

WITH THE UTMOST SPEED, CLOUD AND HIS COMPANIONS, DASH FOR MEDICAL AID...

THEY RUSH TO THE MAIN OFFICE TO SEE THE PRESIDENT...

IN THE AIRLINE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE...

HELLO, CLOUD! BOY, I'M SURE GLAD TO SEE YOU!

HELLO, MR. RICHMOND!

WE'VE BEEN HAVING A BAD TIME OF IT, CLOUD! SIX OF OUR SHIPS HAVE BEEN MYSTERIOUSLY WRECKED...

THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE. WE FOUND ONE OF YOUR PILOTS CRACKED UP IN DEATH VALLEY!

THE ODD PART OF IT WAS, HE KEPT REPEATING OVER AND OVER AGAIN... "SNOW ON THE WINGS"... JUST BEFORE HE DIED! SO MANY PLANES CRASHING IN A WEEK'S TIME, IS NO COINCIDENCE!

BUT WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT, CLOUD? AT THIS RATE WE'LL BE RUINED!

CRASH!

WHAT TH...

CLOUD PICKS UP A NOTE ATTACHED TO THE MISSILE...

and if you don't agree to our terms, we will wreck every plane you own! Have answers to us by Tuesday - The "Wingers"

YOU WON'T HAVE TO AGREE TO THOSE TERMS, MR. RICHMOND. I HAVE A PLAN... ARE YOU WILLING TO LET US TRY IT?

IT'S OUR ONLY HOPE, CLOUD!

CLOUD EXPLAINS HIS PLAN...

... AND IF THAT NOTE DOESN'T BRING THOSE BUZZARDS OUT OF THEIR NEST, I'LL EAT MY HELMET, GOGGLES AND ALL!

COME ON BOYS, WE'VE GOT A JOB AHEAD OF US!

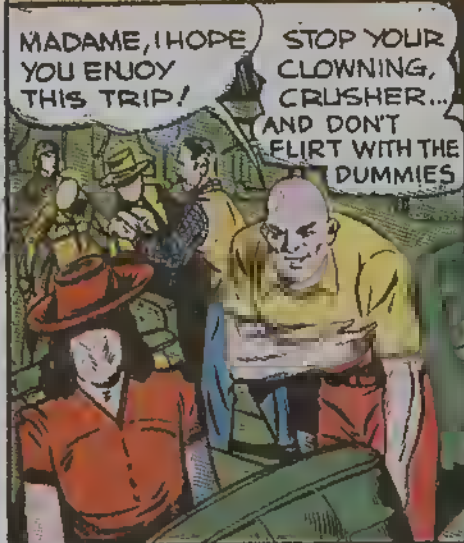
OKAY, CLOUD.

WE'RE RIGHT WITH YOU, SON!

AT THE "WINGERS" HEADQUARTERS

SO THEY WON'T PLAY BALL OUR WAY! OKAY, NOW WE'LL PLAY OUR TRUMP CARD... WE'LL BRING DOWN THEIR LARGEST SHIP TONIGHT!!

CLOUD DECIDES TO USE CENTRAL AIRLINES LARGEST PLANE AS A DECOY...



THE PLANES PREPARE TO TAKE OFF...



...AND AWAY THEY GO...



I HOPE YOUR HUNCH WAS RIGHT, CLOUD!



WOULD I LIKE TO GET MY MAULERS ON THOSE KILLERS!



MEANWHILE...

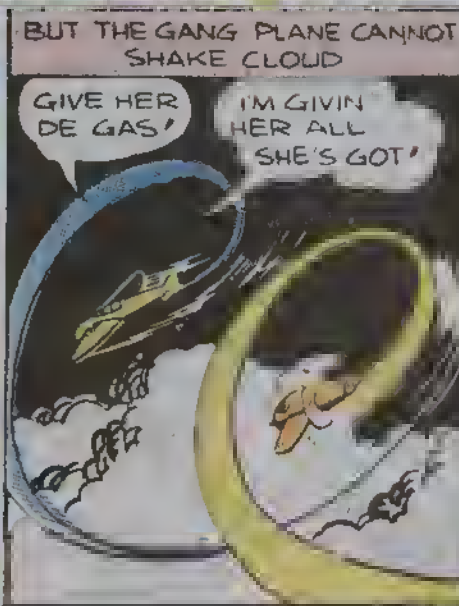
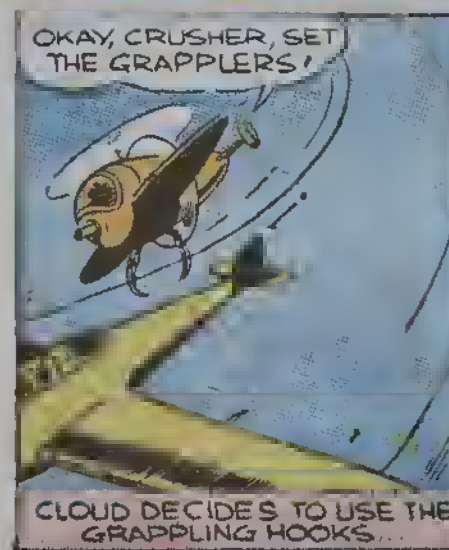
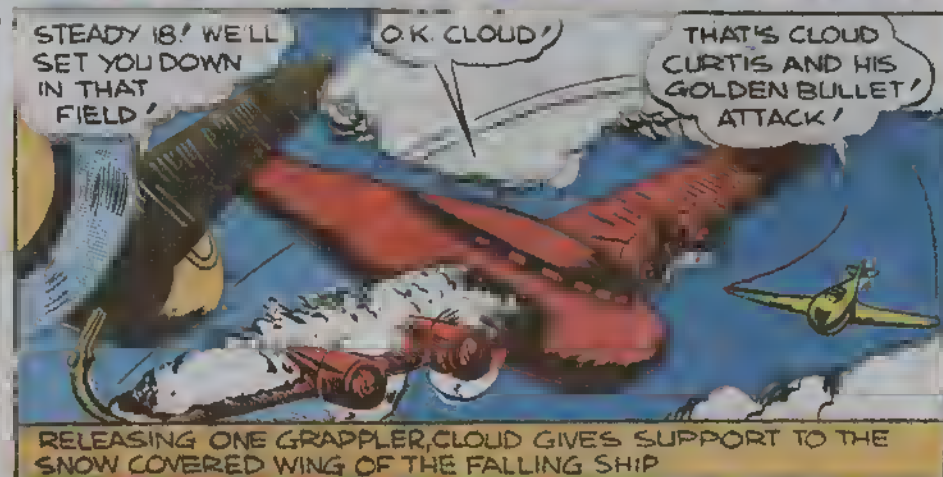
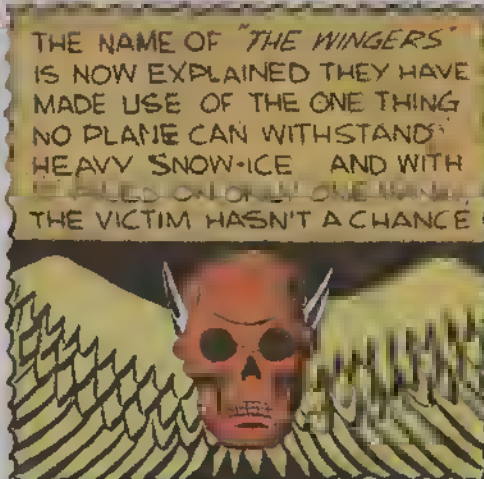
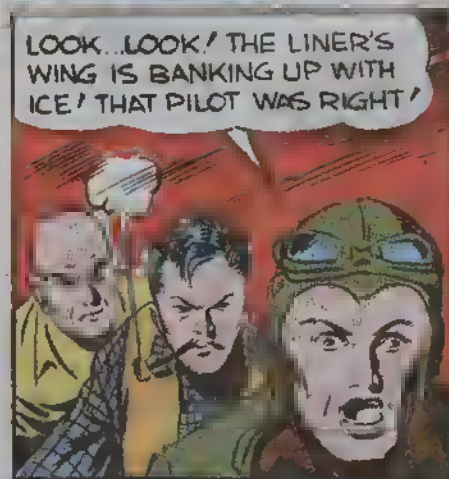
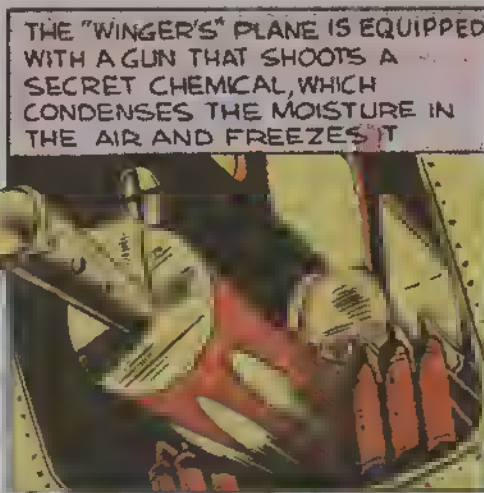
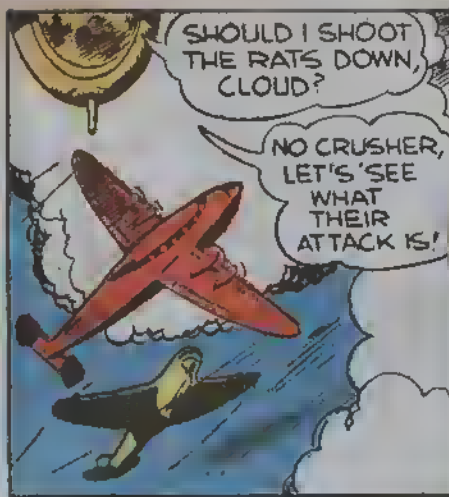


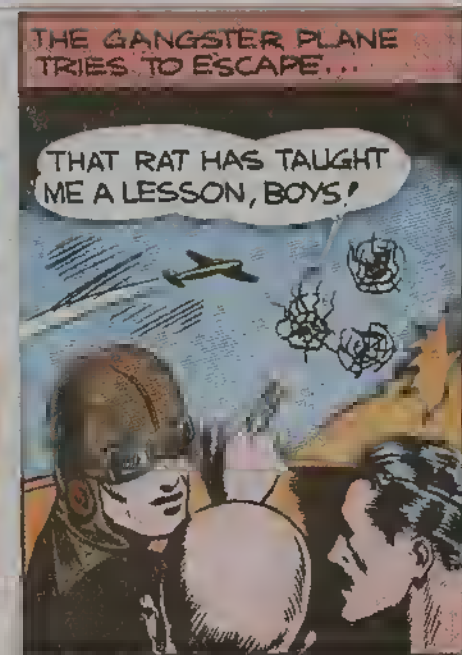
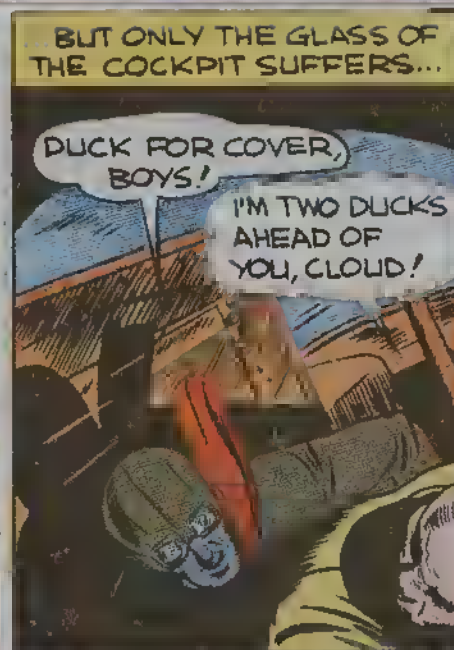
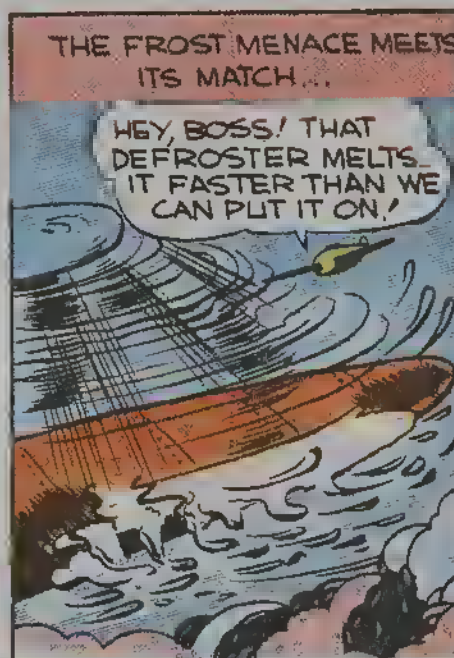
THE MURDER PLANE SIGHTS ITS VICTIM...



THE GANGSTER MANEUVERS INTO POSITION FOR THE KILL...









"THE WINGERS," OUT-
MATCHED, STREAK
FOR HOME...



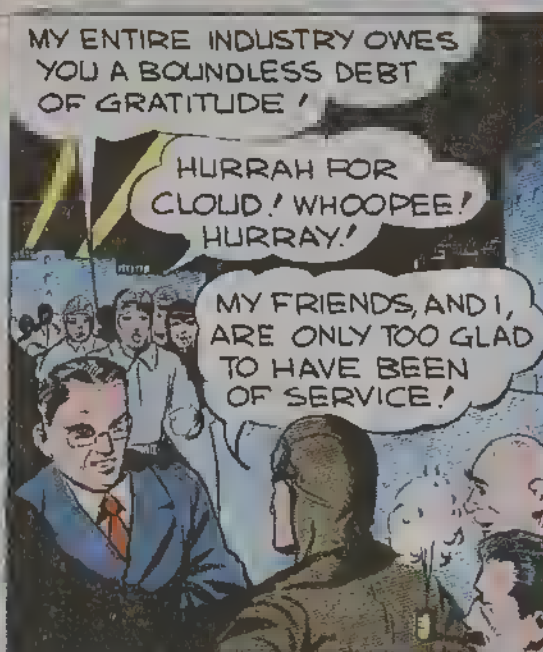
CUT IN AS
CLOSE AS YOU
CAN, CRUSHER!



CLOUD TOSSES A HAND
GRENADE INTO THE GANG-
STERS PLANE ...



THE AIRMEN ARE CELEBRATING THE
VICTORY OF CLOUD CURTIS OVER
THE MURDERING GANGSTERS...

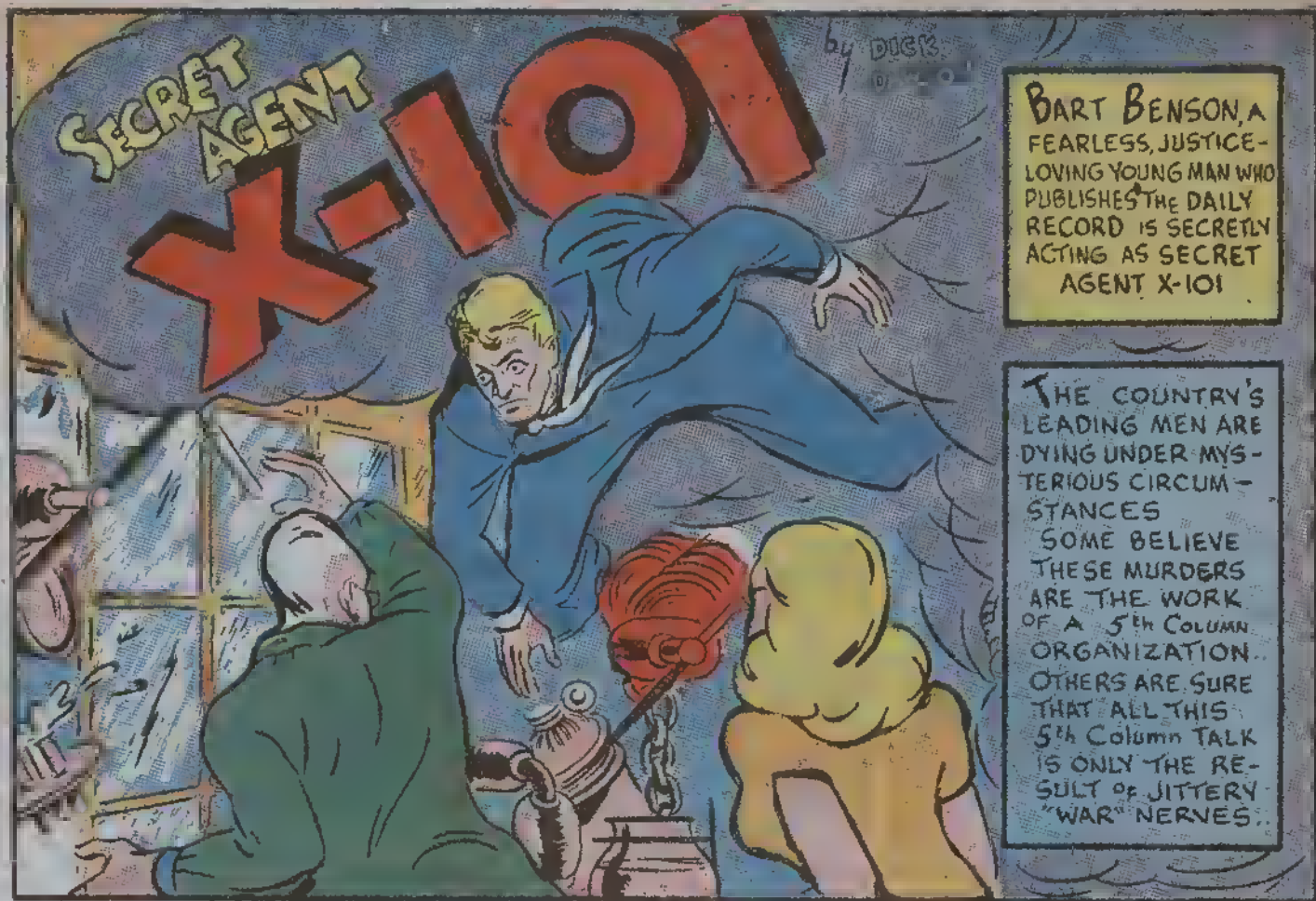


MY ENTIRE INDUSTRY OWES
YOU A BOUNDLESS DEBT
OF GRATITUDE!

HURRAH FOR
CLOUD! WHOOPEE!
HURRAY!

MY FRIENDS, AND I,
ARE ONLY TOO GLAD
TO HAVE BEEN OF
SERVICE!

DON'T MISS
CLOUD CURTIS
AND HIS
GOLDEN
BULLET IN
THE NEXT
ISSUE OF -
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- COMICS -
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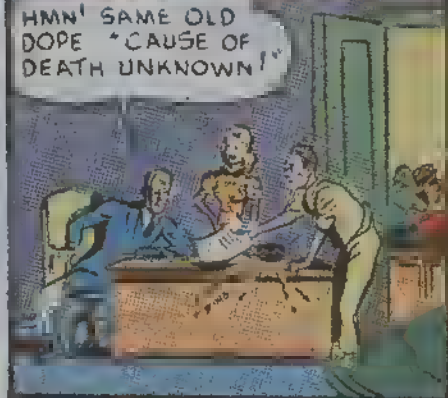


BART BENSON, A FEARLESS, JUSTICE-LOVING YOUNG MAN WHO PUBLISHES THE DAILY RECORD IS SECRETLY ACTING AS SECRET AGENT X-101

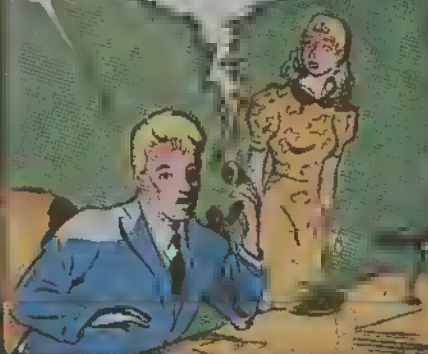
THE COUNTRY'S LEADING MEN ARE DYING UNDER MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES. SOME BELIEVE THESE MURDERS ARE THE WORK OF A 5TH COLUMN ORGANIZATION. OTHERS ARE SURE THAT ALL THIS 5th Column TALK IS ONLY THE RESULT OF JITTERY "WAR" NERVES.

A REPORTER RUSHES IN WITH THE FINDINGS ON THE LATEST DEATH

HMN! SAME OLD DOPE "CAUSE OF DEATH UNKNOWN!"



! SUFFERIN' CATS, BOSS - THE SECRETARY OF STATE JUST DIED!



HOW DID HE DIE?

SAME AS THE REST!



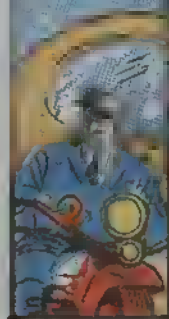
ANOTHER DEATH IN THE OFFICIAL FAMILY!

YES MR BENSON! JOE, HOLD THE FRONT PAGE JIM, STOP THE PRESSES!! MC CANN PREPARE AN EXTRA!!!

BART RUSHES OUT



WITH A MOTOR COP TO CLEAR THE WAY



- HE STORMS INTO SECRET SERVICE HEADQUARTERS

ANOTHER OF OUR OFFICIALS WAS JUST KILLED!! CHIEF - MY PAPER'S GOING TO BLOW THE LID OFF THIS 5TH COLUMN MURDER, SKY HIGH!!



BART ACCEPTS THE CHALLENGE --

WHAT'LL YOU USE FOR EVIDENCE WHEN YOUR READERS ASK WHO? WHAT? WHERE? WHEN? AND HOW?

I GET IT, CHIEF -- YOU MEAN THAT I NEED PROOF! VERY WELL I'LL DIG IT UP AT ONCE!

WUXTRY! WUXTRY! ALL ABOUT MURWOBBLE-UMBUMBUM! WUXTRY!!!

HERE BOY! AFTER ALL THESE YEARS I'LL BUY ONE OF MY VERY OWN!

DAILY RECORD

SECY OF STATE MURDERED!

BY 5TH COLUMNISTS!!

ANOTHER ONE OF OUR GREAT VICTORIES!!

MCCANN SURE WRITES A GRAND HEADLINE -- NOW FOR CHAPTER TWO!

TAXI! HEY TAXI!

I MUST HURRY BACK TO THE OFFICE!

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THOSE TAXIS?

SCREECH

HEY! WHAT THE --

AW GET IN AND SHUT UP!

WELL! THE SNOOPING NEWSBOY, IN PERSON!

AS I LIVE, SANDRA, QUEEN OF THE UNDERWORLD!

TAKE THAT, YOU SNEERING GOVERNMENT STOOL PIGEON! I'D FINISH YOU OFF NOW BUT THE HIGH ONE HAS RESERVED THAT PLEASURE FOR HIMSELF!

THANK YOU FOR A LOVELY RIDE, SANDRA.

GLAD YOU ENJOYED IT, WISE GUY... IT'S YOUR LAST!

ON THE TOP FLOOR OF THE MANSION WHICH IS FAR UP THE HUDSON AND IS THE FOREIGN AGENT HIDEOUT.

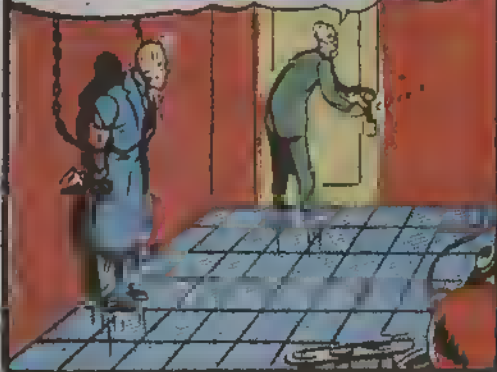
HIGH ONE, HERE HE IS!

WELL, I'LL BE -- A LABORATORY. WHY?

AHHHHH! YOU HAVE DONE VERY WELL MY LITTLE SANDRA! OTTO, ADOLPH... ATTEND TO HIM!

GO NOW ALL OF YOU -- GO! I WANT TO BE ALONE WITH HIM!

YOU ARE PUBLISHER BART BENSON. ALSO SECRET AGENT X-101, A RARE COMBINATION...I TELL YOU SO THAT IT MAY TORTURE YOU -



-ON YOUR DEATH RIDE INTO ETERNITY...YOU VERY NEARLY GUESSED MY DREAD SECRET AND THEREBY SEALED YOUR DOOM. I, THE HIGH ONE, SHALL MAKE YOU SUFFER!



THIS LITTLE INSTRUMENT CONTAINS THE DEADLY GAS WHICH KILLED YOUR HIGH OFFICIALS!!

HE SOUNDS CRAZY BUT HE'S NOT-- HE'S A FIEND!

THIS, MY SECRET WEAPON, IS A GAS THAT KILLS BY IMMEDIATELY DIS-INTEGRATING THE NERVE CELLS.... HA! HA! HA! HA!



BUT NO CONTAINER WAS EVER FOUND.

OF COURSE NOT! WHEN THE GAS FROM THE PHIAL ESCAPES AND MIXES WITH THE OXY-GEN OF THE AIR IT, IN TURN, REDUCES THE PHIAL TO A GAS. CLEVER?



HEAVENS! I MUST STOP THIS BEAST SOMEHOW!

TONIGHT MY PLANE WILL FLY OVER AN AMERICAN FORT AND IN A FEW MINUTES ALL WITHIN WILL BE DEAD!



BENSON HOPES TO ANGER THE HIGH ONE INTO STRIKING HIM.

AW, BALONEY! WHAT ARE YOU TRYIN' TO DISH OUT ANYWAY? YOU'RE FULL O' RABBITS!

WHAT? I'LL FIX YOU!



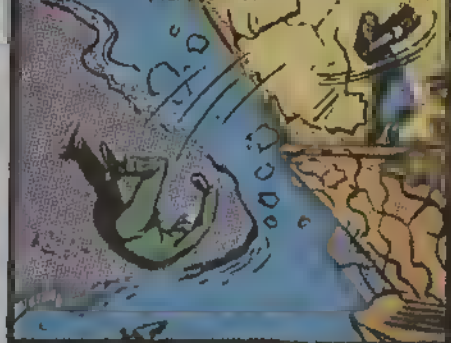
HOISTING HIMSELF UP BY THE CHAIN BART APPLIES A BONE CRUSHING SCISSORS HOLD AROUND THE FIEND'S NECK.

UGH! I CAN'T BR--

GIVE ME THE KEY TO THESE CHAINS!



BART UNLOCKS HIMSELF AND HURLS THE HIGH ONE THROUGH THE GLASS SIDE OF THE WALL INTO THE HUDSON.



BANG! THUMP! OPEN UP THERE! WHAT'S WRONG!!

HOPE THESE VINES HOLD OUT-- BOY!! ROMEO DIDN'T HAVE A THING



BENSON RUSHES TO THE HIGH ONE'S PRIVATE LANDING FIELD-- TOO LATE TO STOP THE SHIP OF DEATH HE TAKES AFTER IT IN ANOTHER PLANE.

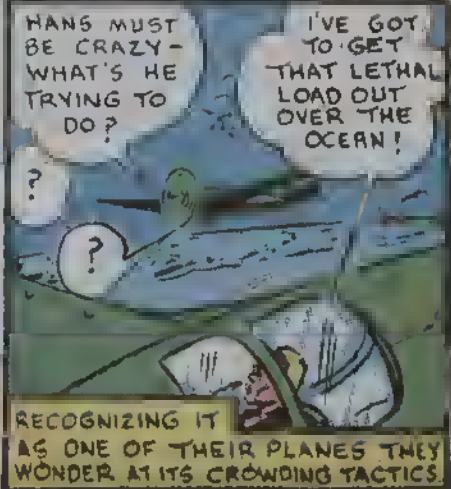
OUT OF MY WAY, YOU!

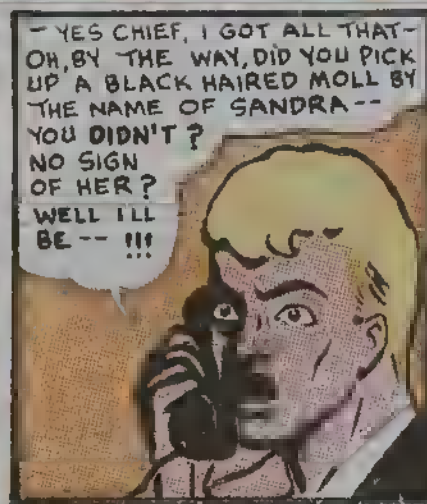
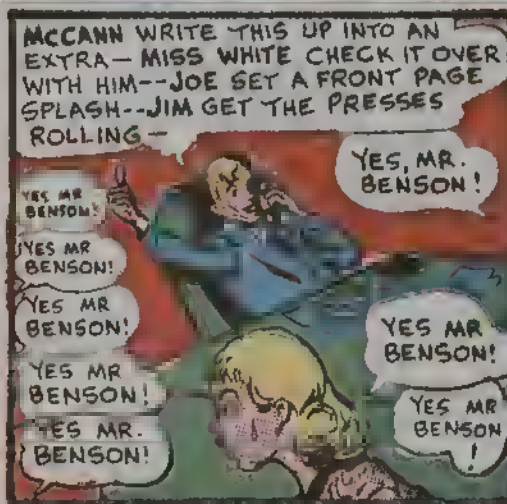
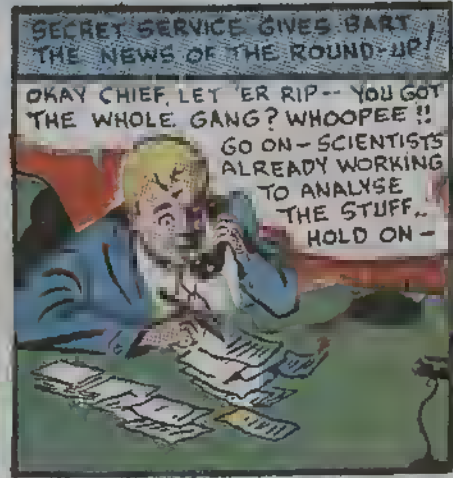
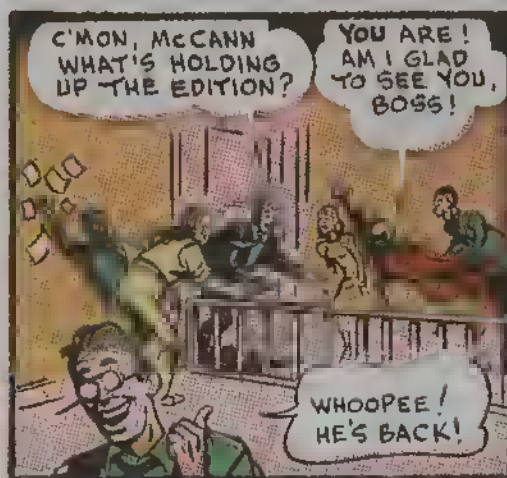
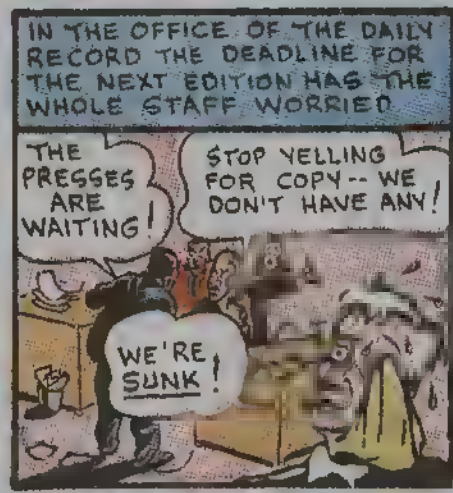
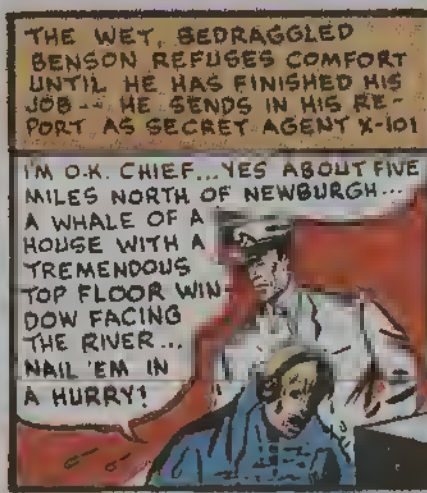
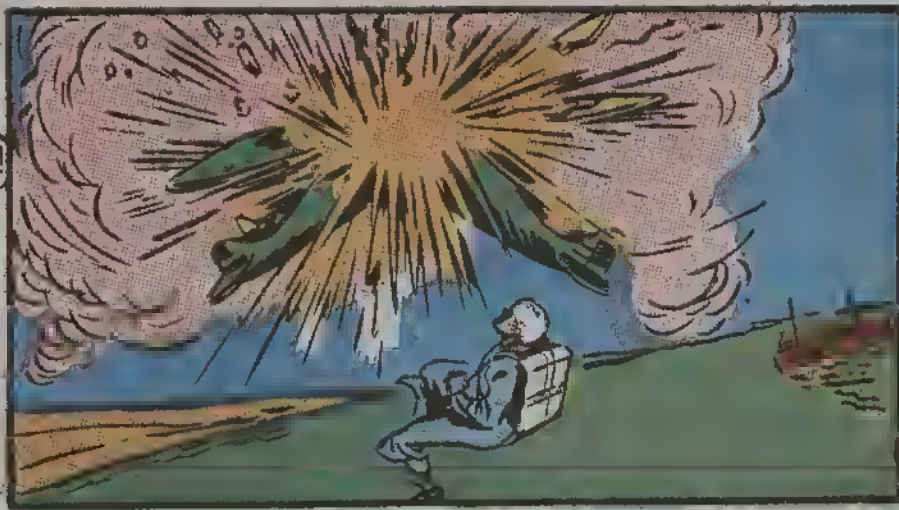
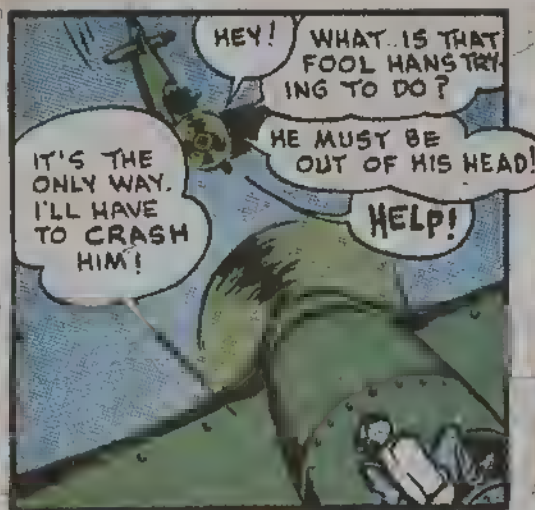


HANS MUST BE CRAZY-- WHAT'S HE TRYING TO DO?

I'VE GOT TO GET THAT LETHAL LOAD OUT OVER THE OCEAN!

RECOGNIZING IT AS ONE OF THEIR PLANES THEY WONDER AT ITS CROWDING TACTICS



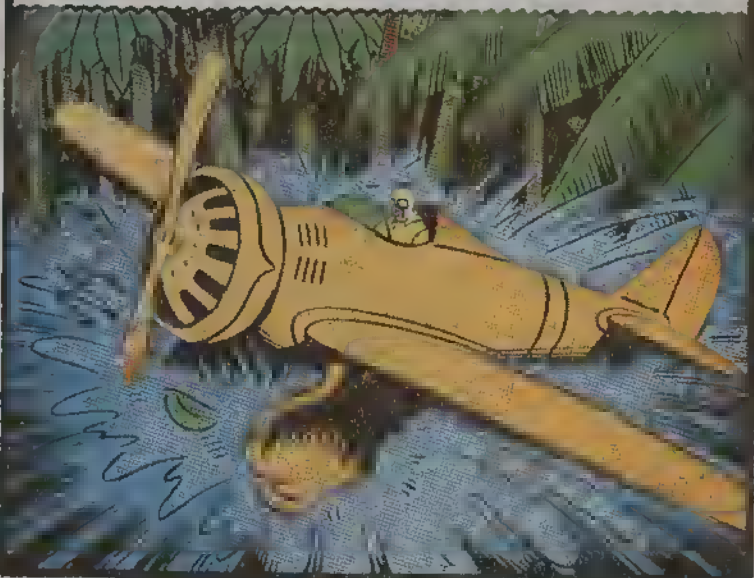


LANCE HALE

AN AIRPLANE-
IT'S MOTOR HAS GONE
DEAD / IT'LL
CRASH-



BUT THE PILOT OF THE STRANGE PLANE MANAGES
TO MAKE A PANCAKE LANDING IN A SMALL POND.



LANCE HALE, A SOLDIER OF FORTUNE,
IS MAKING THE JUNGLE HIS PRESENT
HOME AND HAS BECOME EXPERT IN THE
USE OF THE WEAPONS OF THE WILDERNESS
SUCH AS THE KNIFE, SPEAR, BOW AND
ARROW. ONE DAY WHILE HUNTING
IN THE IJUBI FOREST HE SPIES AN AIR-
PLANE GLIDING OVER THE TREE TOPS.

INSTEAD OF WATER, THE
POND IS A DEATHTRAP OF
CLINGING QUICKSAND-

OH / MY GOSH / QUICKSAND-
I SHOULD HAVE CRASHED
IN THE TREE-TOPS /



RACING TO THE SCENE IN THE NICK OF
TIME, LANCE HURLS HIS SPEAR - WITH A
VINE ATTACHED - INTO THE SINKING PLANE.

HANG ONTO THAT VINE
BUDDY !



THANKS MR / YOU
SAVED MY LIFE THE
ENGINE -



UNNOTICED BY LANCE DURING HIS RESCUE OF THE AVIATOR A GROUP OF SAVAGE PYGMIES HAS CREPT UP AND SURROUNDED THE PAIR...

DON'T SHOOT - THESE PYGMIES ARE DANGEROUS AND THEY HAVE THE DRAW ON US!



-UOY ERA SRENOSIRP-
EMOC HTIW SU!



HE SAYS WE HAVE TO GO WITH HIM! WELL - COME ON. MAYBE WE'LL GET A CHANCE TO ESCAPE LATER!



AS THEY ARE RELIEVED OF THEIR WEAPONS AND MARCHED TO THE PYGMIES' VILLAGE LANCE LEARNS THAT HIS FELLOW CAPTIVE IS JIM THORNE, AN AVIATOR, WHO WAS FLYING FROM CAIRO TO CAPETOWN.



I WONDER WHAT THEY'LL DO TO US?

WE'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH!



AFTER A FEW HOURS MARCH THE PYGMIES AND THEIR CAPTIVES REACH A PRIMITIVE VILLAGE IN THE TREES.



WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A TOUGH TIME GETTING OUT OF HERE - THESE PYGMIES KNOW THEIR TREES!

I ONLY HOPE THIS BRIDGE HOLDS!



HIGH UP IN THE TREES LANCE AND JIM ARE HELD CAPTIVE.

AND WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A CHANCE TO PUT UP A FIGHT!



RUMMAGING THROUGH HIS POCKETS JIM FINDS HIS CIGARETTE LIGHTER WHICH THE SAVAGES OVERLOOKED.

IT WORKS, LANCE! WE CAN SET FIRE TO THIS TREE-TOP VILLAGE AND GET AWAY IN THE CONFUSION. MAYBE!



IN A FEW MINUTES
THE PRISON SHACK
IS IN FLAMES FROM
WHICH LANCE AND
JIM BURST FORTH—



QUICKLY SEIZING A HANGING VINE, LANCE
GRABS JIM AND SWINGS AWAY FROM A
GUARD TRYING TO STOP THEM!



THIS IS WHERE
THEY PUT OUR
WEAPONS!



REARMED, LANCE AND JIM
AWAIT AN ATTACK FROM
THE ENRAGED PYGMIES—



HERE THEY
COME!

AS THE SAVAGES ATTEMPT TO
RUSH THEM JIM'S GUN AND
LANCE'S BOW TAKE HEAVY TOLL—



FALLING BACK, THE PYGMIES TURN
THEIR ATTENTION TO FIGHTING THE
FIRE SPREADING IN THEIR TREE HOMES.



ERIF-
ERIF!

NOW'S OUR CHANCE
WHILE THEY TRY TO
SAVE THEIR VILLAGE—
HANG ON!



WITH JIM HANGING ON, LANCE SWINGS
QUICKLY TO THE GROUND!



I THINK WE'VE
GIVEN THEM
THE SLIP!

BUT ONE LAST FIERCE
SAVAGE STANDS
BETWEEN LANCE AND
LIBERTY!



ERAPERP
OT EID!

LANCE'S ARROW AIMED AT THE CHARGING SAV-
AGE, MISSES ITS TARGET



THE PYGMY LEAPS HIGH IN THE
AIR TO GET AT LANCE WITH HIS
HATCHET!



BUT LANCE MEETS THE CHARGE
WITH HIS SPEAR!



THE COAST IS
CLEAR NOW
WE CAN GET
AWAY!

I'M WITH
YOU LANCE!



A FEW DAYS LATER LANCE
AND JIM ARE SAFELY OUT OF
THE VAST IJUBI FOREST...



SOON AS WE
REACH THE CAPE-
TOWN RAILROAD
YOU CAN FLAG
A TRAIN TO
TAKE YOU
HOME!

O.K. BUT HOW
ABOUT KNOCK-
ING OVER ONE
OF THOSE DEER
I'M STARVING!



AS LANCE'S BOW TWANGS
A GAZELLE FALLS DEAD...
AN ARROW THROUGH ITS HEART!



BUT A HUGE LION CROUCHING UNSEEN
NEARBY, DECIDES TO HAVE THE DEER FOR
HIMSELF!



LOOK OUT!
THAT LION IS GOING
TO CHARGE!



QUICKLY LANCE HURLS HIS SPEAR INTO THE ONRUSHING BEAST!

HE'S ONLY
WOUNDED!



MADDENED WITH PAIN THE SAVAGE LION
CRASHES INTO LANCE WHO GOES DOWN
UNDER THE IMPACT.

I'LL GET HIM!



NOT A SPLIT-SECOND
TOO SOON JIM
EMPTIES HIS GUN
INTO THE BIG
CAT'S HEART!



I KILLED
HIM!

I'LL SAY - AND
JUST IN TIME -
WOW! WAS
THIS A CLOSE
SHAVE!



A FEW DAYS LATER LANCE AND JIM
REACH THE RAILROAD AND FLAG A
TRAIN TO A HALT.

SO LONG,
LANCE. I
SURE HOPE
WE MEET
AGAIN!

IF I EVER
GET TIRED
OF THE
JUNGLE I'LL
LOOK YOU
UP!



WELL! SINCE THINGS
ARE SO QUIET AROUND
HERE I THINK I'LL GO TO
THE COAST. I HEAR BY THE
TOM-TOM THAT THERE
IS A BIT OF ACTION
THERE.



WATCH FOR THE
COMING FAST ACTION
INSTALLMENT OF
"LANCE HALE" IN
WHICH LANCE BATTLES
WITH AN INVADING
SUBMARINE OFF THE
WEST COAST OF
AFRICA - APPEARING
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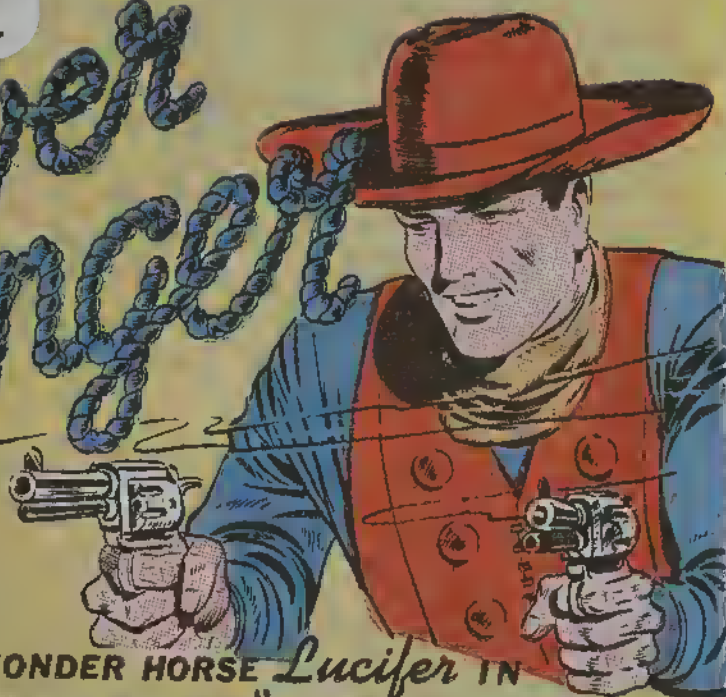
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PART
2

The Silver
Ranger



AND HIS WONDER HORSE *Lucifer* IN
THE GAMBLER'S LAST STAND
OF DESERT JUSTICE WINS AGAIN

by CARL FORMES

THE howling wind rose to a scream of fury as it swept across the slightly hummocked prairie. Now and then during a lull in the storm's angry cry, a lone coyote sent forth its dismal hunger call, over the lonely, deserted waste.

Is that a rider, hobbling up and down in the distance? Surely not. No one would venture out on a night like this. But it is a rider. And coming at an incredible speed. Closer, closer he comes, the thunderous hoofs of his jet-black horse streaking along like seven-league boots on a black devil. He is near — here — no, gone! It is the Silver Ranger, astride his black wonder horse, Lucifer—away on some errand of justice.

Four men sat at the gambling table in the back of the Crystal palace saloon. Slick Hanson, professional gambler and the real owner of the saloon, in all his finery from patent leather boots and black silk vest, with heavy gold watch chain, to bulky Ascot tie; two ordinary hangers-on and Roy Penwell, a young ranch owner, who's habit of always wearing a Navajo vest of brilliant hue was known to every one for miles around. Hanson was dealing and—as usual—winning. Roy watched the smooth, effortless performance through narrowed eyes. Suddenly, with the speed of a striking cobra, the ranchman's sledge-like hand shot out and pinioned the dealer's hand to the table in the very act of palming an ace. He coldly grinned into the ashen-white face across the table and said:

"I sorter figured that your uncanny winning was more than just a whim of Dame Fortune." Caught red-handed, Slick Hanson tried the only card left in his pack—bluff.

"Why, you—" the gambler screamed, drawing his peart-handled gun. He did not get any further. Roy sent the table spinning, kicked the gun out of Slick's hand, grabbing that male fashionplate by his fancy Ascot tie. Roy looked him square in the eye for a split second, and then struck a tremendous blow. The gambler went crashing against the bar, knocking over two tall spittoons in his hurried flight, and finally untangling himself from behind the foot rail of the bar—his sartorial splendor



A LONE COYOTE HOWLS...



THE GAMBLER PALMS
AN ACE!



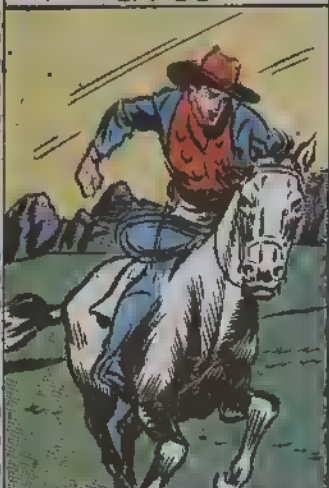
ROY
SENT THE
GAMBLER
SPINNING...



"STRING HIM UP!
HANG HIM!"



PENWELL CAUGHT THIS
SKUNK CHEATING AT
CARDS."



"LUCIFER, GO,
LUCIFER!"

Jack Binder

THE SHERIFF AND HIS POSSE
SET OUT TO GET PENWELL....

"I COULDN'T RUN AWAY FROM A
CRIME I DIDN'T DO...."

sorry sight indeed. In the calm that followed the storm, Roy failed to notice a signal that passed between the barkeeper and Slick.

"Step right up, gentlemen," orated the dispenser of drinks, who posed as the owner of the saloon, "Drinks are on the house." "Got my Private Stock for you, Mr. Penwell—Ha! ha! Only for special occasions!" Roy sauntered up to the bar, little realizing that each step was carrying him closer to the gallows.

A short time later, two of Slick's henchmen carried an unconscious man into the little room behind the saloon, and dumped him on the couch. It was Roy Penwell.

"How long will that 'Private Stock' keep him under?" Slick snapped at the bartender. Satisfied with the answer, he continued:

"You, Roper, put on his vest and hat. You're just about his size. With that vest on, you can pass for him anywhere, if you keep your ugly snoot covered. Old widow Stokes has just sold that south acreage. She must have the money cached somewhere. Torture her into ponying up. Don't be too gentle with the old hag—but don't you kill her. She is my ace in the hole. I'll be waitin' for you and the money—here."

That night, the again resplendant Slick Hanson could be seen driving into town in his spangle new carriage, and pulling up before the sheriff's office. Beside him sat old widow Stokes. As the gambler guided the old woman into the sheriff's sanctum, he almost collided with the Silver Ranger, just coming out. The Ranger hesitated a moment after the two had gone on in, and then wheeled to return to the sheriff's place of business. Something that he heard, as he came to the door, arrested his steps. He remained standing at the door. What he now heard, suddenly electrified him into action. He was out of the building in two strides, into the saddle of the black wonder-horse. With "Lucifer, Go, Lucifer!" they were off like the wind, out of town and riding hard up the old Pony Express road.

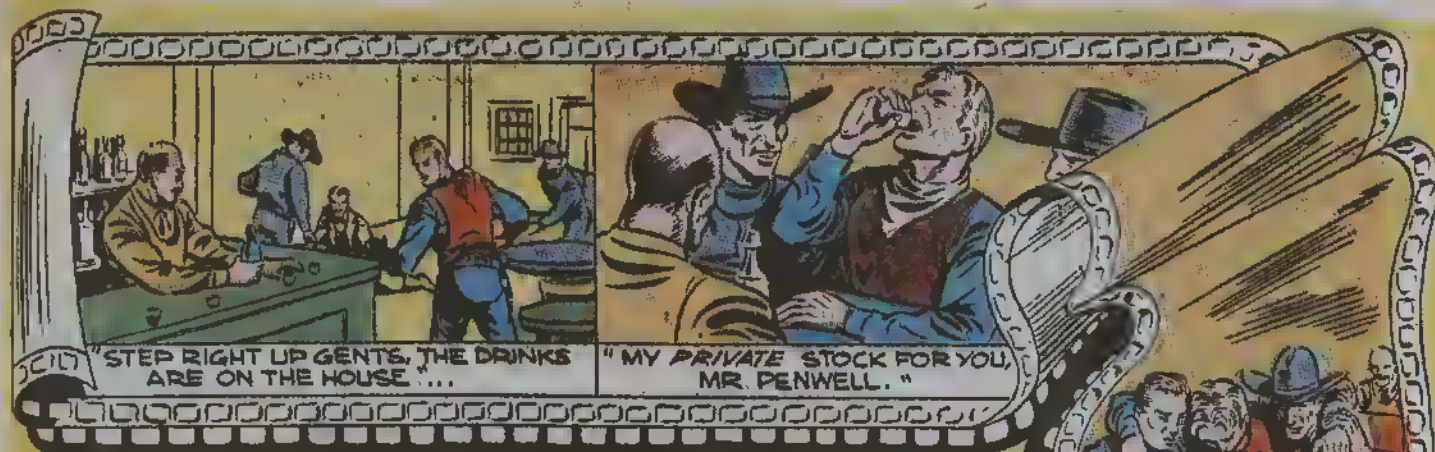
The Silver Ranger was sitting with Roy Penwell in the latter's ranch house. Roy had just finished telling him the happenings of the day.

"I've known your family for years," said the Ranger. "I felt sure that you couldn't rob an old woman. Some of Slick's gang impersonated you while you were doped. But you better vamoose just the same."

"I couldn't run away from a crime I didn't do," replied the young rancher. "I'm powerful thankful to you, stranger, but when the sheriff comes, I'll be here." No amount of arguing could alter his resolve.

Returning to town, the Silver Ranger passed the Sheriff and his posse riding hard in the direction of Roy Penwell's ranch.

An angry crowd was surging and milling around, the greater part of them made brave by Slick's cheap whiskey. Roy Penwell



was held by three men—a rope was noosed around his neck. Slick had gotten rid of the sheriff by sending him off on a fake call. The gambler was holding forth to the crowd. Next to cheating and stealing, this was Slick's favorite occupation.

"... this dirty, low-down skunk of a Roy Penwell," the gambler orated, "goes to the home of a defenseless old woman, tortures her, and robs her of her few dollars. There isn't any question of his guilt! The widow Stokes has clearly identified him, as who couldn't by that loud Indian vest. His guilt settled, the only remaining question is, what to do with the polecat? I say string him up, hang him, riddle—!"

He stopped dead. The rope fastened to Roy's neck was already dangling down from an overhead branch of the tree under which they stood—when a man on a jet-black horse rode into the crowd, which melted away before him like snow before a blow torch. He leaped from his horse onto the platform beside the orating gambler, and grabbing him by the scruff of the neck with one hand, raised his other for silence. At this point the sheriff and his posse thundered up. They had a prisoner with them. A very much crestfallen Mr. Roper.

"Men," began the Silver Ranger. "I forced a confession from Roper over there. He stole the money from widow Stokes, hut at the command of this wiggling rat in my hand. Roy Penwell, as good a man as you'll find in these or any other parts, caught Slick Hanson cheating at cards this afternoon. Out of revenge, the skunk had him doped with knock-out drops, put his Indian vest on Roper, who is just about Roy's build, sent him to the widow Stokes, and you know the rest." He reached down to the slit in the gambler's Prince Albert coat—there was a ripping, tearing sound, and the coat was torn from bottom to top. He quickly slid his hand into the lining, and brought forth an old pigskin wallet.

"Here is your money, Mrs. Stokes," Silver Ranger called out. "Better put it in the bank in the morning!"

After the outlaws had all been safely jailed, and the hack-patting on Roy's broad shoulders had slackened up a bit, he turned to the sheriff and asked:

"Where is that man who did all this, sheriff? My stars, but for him, I'd be deader'n a mackerel now."

"Why, he was here this very minute," replied the puzzled lawman. From the outskirts of the crowd came a call: "Lucifer, Go, Lucifer!" The Silver Ranger, his work finished, was already away. This intrepid, fearless dispenser of justice never waits for thanks.

Don't miss The Silver Ranger's hair-raising, wildly blood-stirring, spine-chilling adventures in next month's Silver Streak Comics.

THE END



KNOCKOUT DROPS DO THEIR DEADLY WORK..



YOU, ROPER, PUT ON HIS VEST AND HAT.



SILVER RANGER COLLIDES WITH A SKUNK



LUCIFER, GO, LUCIFER!



PRESTO MARTIN

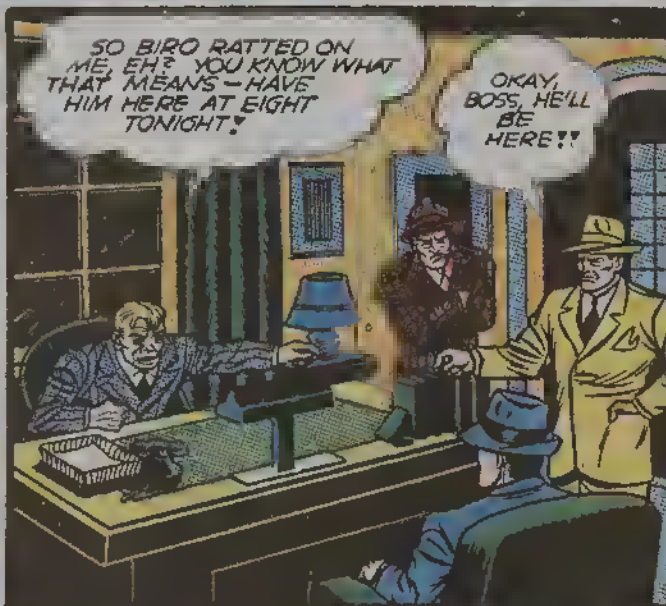
BY
BOB
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AS CAPTAIN OF MANHATTAN'S DETECTIVES, CRIME-BUSTING IS PRESTO MARTIN'S JOB—YEARS OF STUDY IN THE ART OF DISGUISE, COUPLED WITH THE DISCOVERY HE MADE WHILE IN COLLEGE, A PLASTIC PUTTY HAVING ADHERENT QUALITIES TO THE SKIN, WHICH ENABLES HIM TO ASSUME ANY FACIAL FEATURES HE MIGHT WISH IN A MOMENT'S NOTICE, HAVE MADE HIM FAR AND AWAY THE GREATEST QUICK CHANGE ARTIST THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN. THIS ART HE USES TO ADVANTAGE IN HIS CEASELESS BATTLE AGAINST THE UNDERWORLD—BUT NOW ARISES TO THE FORE ONE WHO IS TO PROVE TO BE PRESTO'S MOST DANGEROUS OPPONENT YET, ONE KNOWN AS...



The Domino!

IN THE HEART OF MIDTOWN NEW YORK—DOMINIC LEONETTI, ALIAS THE "DOMINO" FLAMES IN RAGE AT HIS SWANK NIGHT SPOT THE "RED ROUSE"—FOR MONTHS NOW THE LAW HAS BEEN ENDEAVORING TO SHUT THE PLACE DOWN BUT ALWAYS THE SLICK LEONETTI HAS HAD AN ALIBI FOR WHATEVER CHARGES WERE BROUGHT AGAINST HIM!



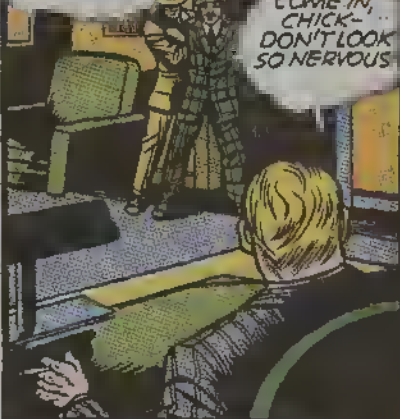
SO BIRO RATTED ON ME, EH? YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS—HAVE HIM HERE AT EIGHT TONIGHT!

OKAY, BOSS, HE'LL BE HERE!!

EIGHT O'CLOCK THAT EVENING

WHAT'S DE IDEA, BOSS? Y'AIN'T GONNA MURDER ME ARE YA??

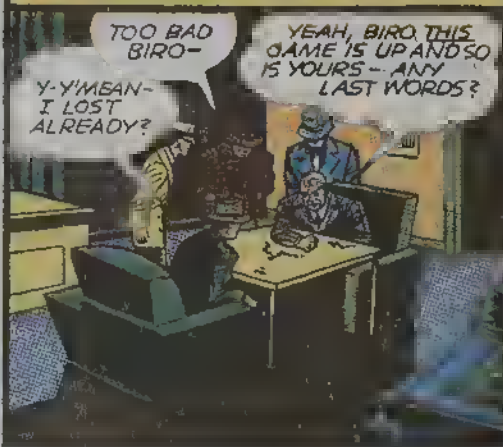
COME IN, CHICK—DON'T LOOK SO NERVOUS



YOU KNOW BETTER THAN THAT, CHICK—I NEVER MURDER ANYONE—BUT WHEN SOME ONE CROSES ME UP, THE TWO OF US JUST GOTTA PLAY MY LITTLE "GAME OF DEATH"—THE LOSER DIES!!



LEONETTI'S "GAME OF DEATH" IS IN REALITY A GAME OF DOMINOS, HIS FAVORITE PAST-TIME FOR YEARS—ANYONE WHO KNOWS HIM, KNOWS THAT HE HAS AS YET TO BE DEFEATED AT THIS GAME—



TOO BAD BIRO—

Y-Y-MEAN—I LOST ALREADY?

YEAH, BIRO, THIS GAME IS UP AND SO IS YOURS—ANY LAST WORDS?

GEE—DON'T BOSS, PLEASE DON'T—I-I AAAAH!!

SO LONG BIRO?



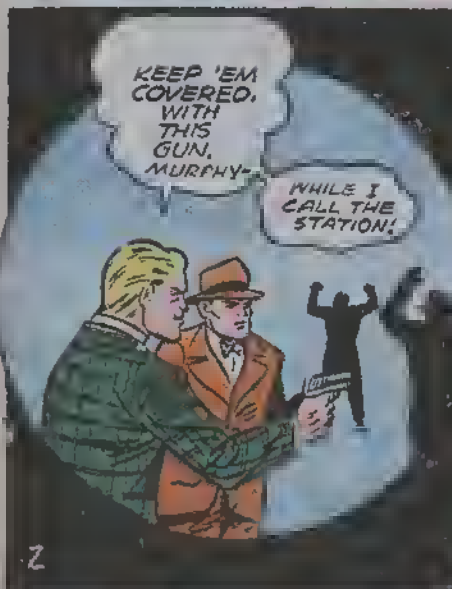
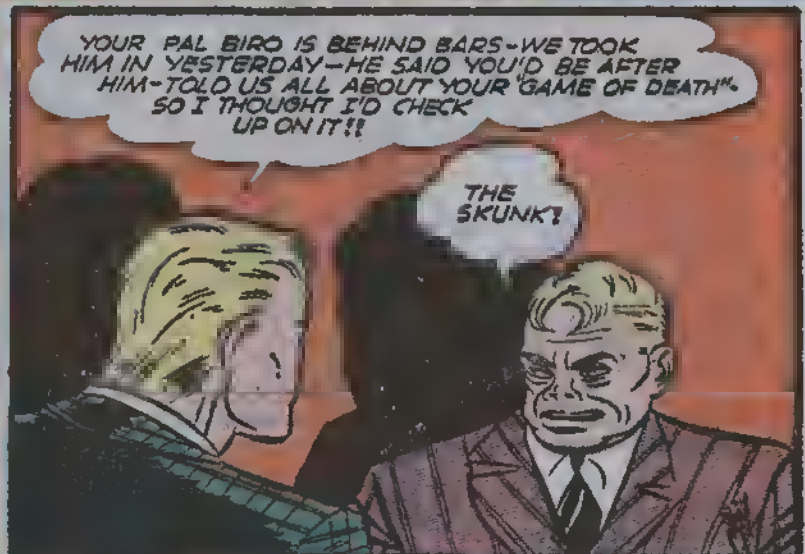
AT THAT VERY MOMENT
THE CLOSET DOOR OPENS—



THE FLASH STARTLES THE THUGS WHO SWING ABOUT IN ITS DIRECTION—
INSTANTLY—THE ASSUMED DEAD MAN LEAPS TO HIS FEET.....



PRESTO REMOVES HIS DISGUISE—



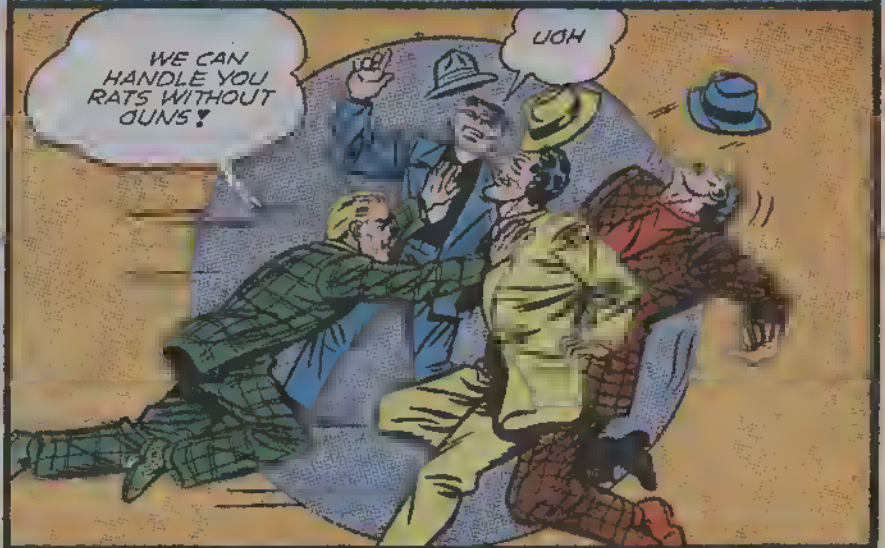
MURPHY IS EASY PREY FOR THE AGE OLD GAG--THE DOMINO SAILS INTO HIM--



I DON'T SEE NOBODY--OOOOF

MURPHY YOU DOPE?

BEFORE THE THUGS CAN DRAW THEIR GUNS--PRESTO DROPS THE PHONE AND CHARGES THEM--



WE CAN HANDLE YOU RATS WITHOUT GUNS?

UOH

PRESTO PROCEEDS TO MAKE SHORT WORK OF THE GANGSTERS



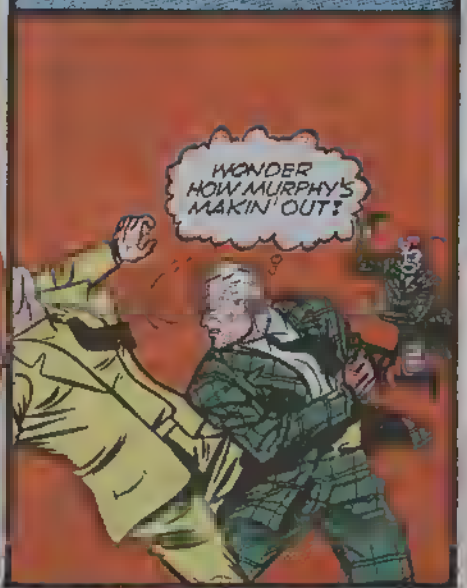
SCARFACE MULDOON'S THE NAME--I BELIEVE? WHERE'VE YOU BEEN HIDING LATELY?

BY THIS TIME THE DOMINO IS GETTING THE BETTER OF HIS TUSSELE WITH MURPHY, WHEN HE SEIZES A GUN--



PLEASANT DREAMS COPPER

WITH MURPHY OUT OF THE WAY THE MAD DOMINO RUSHES TOWARD PRESTO



WONDER HOW MURPHY'S MAKIN' OUT?



C'MON BOYS--SNAP OUT OF IT--WE'RE MAKIN' OURSELVES SCARCE!

THE DOMINO SOON REVIVES HIS MEN--

Y'MEAN YER NOT GONNA PLUG 'EM, BOSS?

GAD--THAT MARTIN GUY SURE PACKS SOME WALLOP

NAW--I GOT A BETTER IDEA--LET'S GET OUTA HERE BEFORE THEY COME TO!!



GRAB THE CASH--QUICK--WE WON'T BE COMIN' BACK HERE--FOR A WHILE

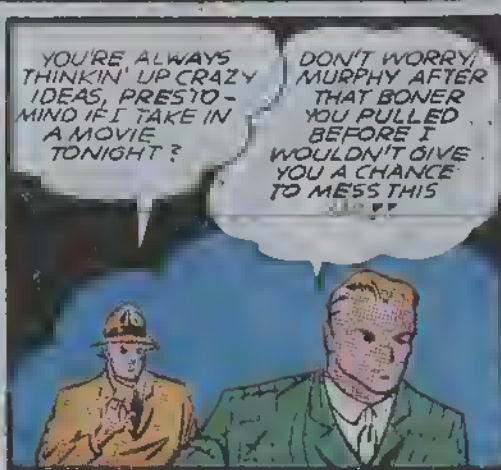
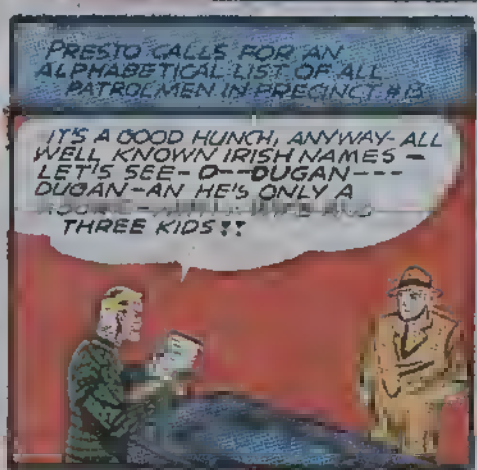
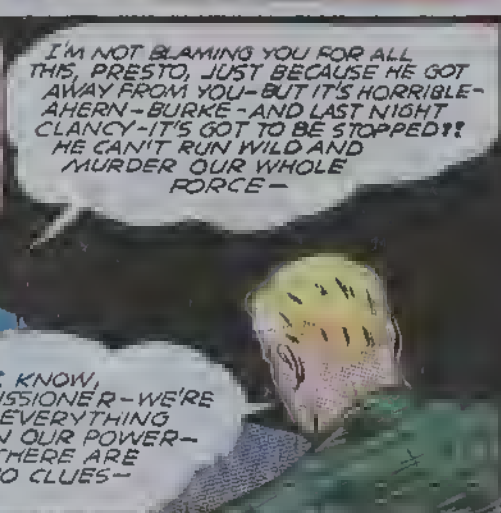
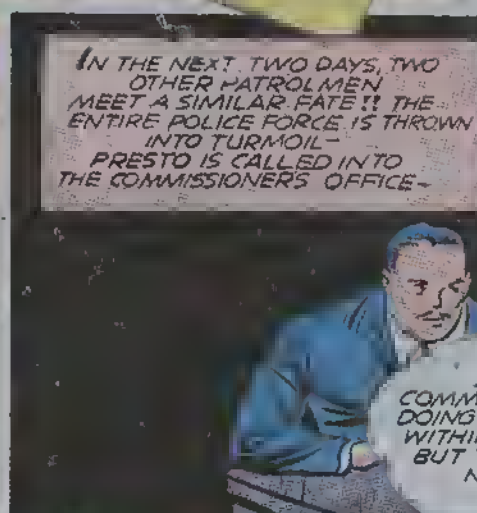
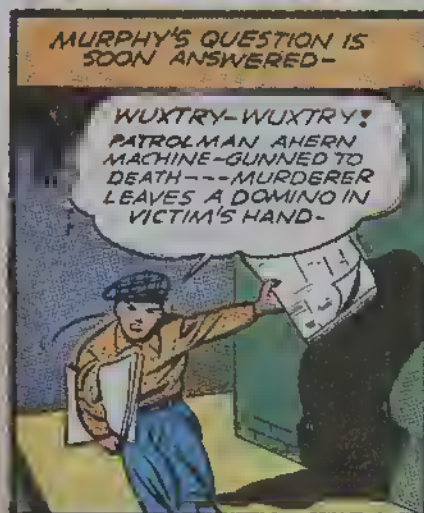
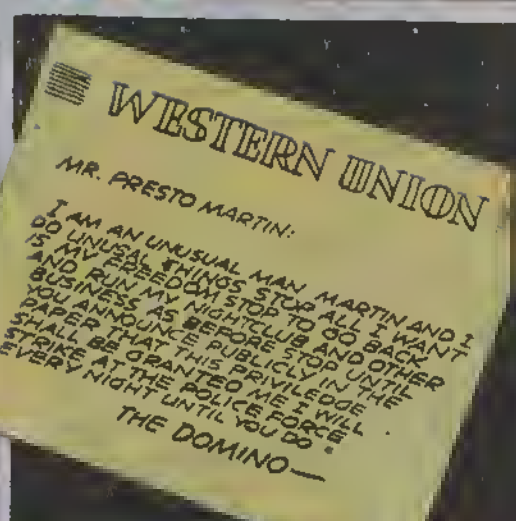
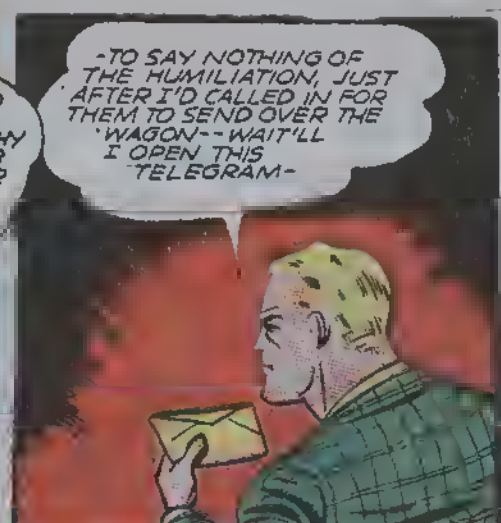
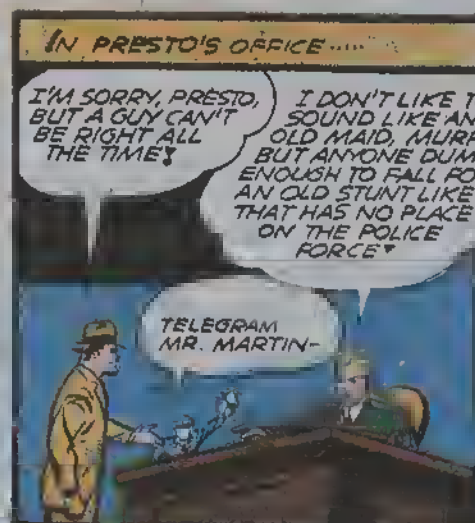
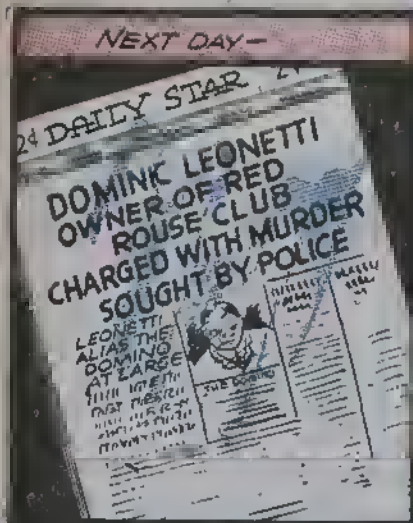


MOMENTS LATER.....

WHAT'S YER IDEA, BOSS??

I'LL TELL YA LATER--RIGHT NOW WE GOTTA FIND A HIDEOUT--





PRESTO IS UNSUCCESSFUL IN INFLUENCING PATROLMAN DUGAN TO LET HIM TAKE OVER HIS BEAT-

YOU'RE BOSS OF DETECTIVES, MARTIN, AND HAVE NO JURISDICTION OVER ME- I GOT A FAMILY TO SUPPORT AND AREN'T TAKIN' ANY CHANCES ON LOSIN' MY JOB

OKAY DUGAN- IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL

THAT EVENING DUGAN PATROLS HIS BEAT-

HEY-YOU'RE ON THE WRONG BEAT BUDDY-

MAYBE SO, BUT THIS IS GOING TO BE MY BEAT FOR TONIGHT.

SORRY-I'LL EXPLAIN LATER!

THAT'S KINDA MEAN, LEAVING DUGAN IN A DESERTED ALLEY- BUT I MAY HAVE SAVED HIS LIFE.

PRESTO GOES INTO A QUICK DISGUISE, THAT OF PATROLMAN DUGAN.

ALL THESE MURDERS HAVE OCCURRED AROUND NINE IT'S ALMOST THAT NOW- SAY! THAT SEDAN LOOKS SUSPICIOUS! I BETTER BE READY-

THAT'S DUGAN ALL RIGHT, BOSS, HERE GOES!

I'LL PLAY DUMB AND LET THEM MAKE THE FIRST MOVE!

SUDDENLY--

WHAT'S TH' MATTER-TH' GUY WON'T DROP!

IT'S THE DOMINO ALL RIGHT

PRESTO, AN EXPERT MARKSMAN PUNCTURES THE SEDAN'S TIRE WITH THE FIRST SHOT.

OKAY, DOMINO- NOW FOR OUR SHOWDOWN-

REMOVING HIS DISGUISE AS HE DASHES FOR THE WRECKED CAR, HE PLUNGES INTO THE DOMINO AND HIS MEN BEFORE THEY CAN BREAK AWAY....

WHAT'S THE MATTER? FOUR BIG TOUGH GUYS LIKE YOU RUNNING AWAY FROM ONE COPPER!

IT'S-IT'S PRESTO MARTIN!

WHAT'S YOUR HURRY DOMINO-YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE-

EXCEPT TO THE CHAIR?

LATER, AS SERGEANT MURPHY LEAVES THE THEATRE....

DAILY STAR
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DOMINO CAPTURED BY PRESTO MARTIN
PRESTO DISGUISED AS PATROLMAN DUGAN...
MURPHY: PRESTO MARTIN
MURPHY: PRESTO MARTIN

I'LL NEVER LIVE THIS DOWN!

PATROLMAN DUGAN VISITS PRESTO-

I'M SORRY I DIDN'T SEE THINGS YOUR WAY, PRESTO!

FORGET IT, DUGAN-IF MY HUNCH HAD BEEN WRONG YOU'D BE PLENTY SORE ABOUT THAT SOCK ON THE JAW!

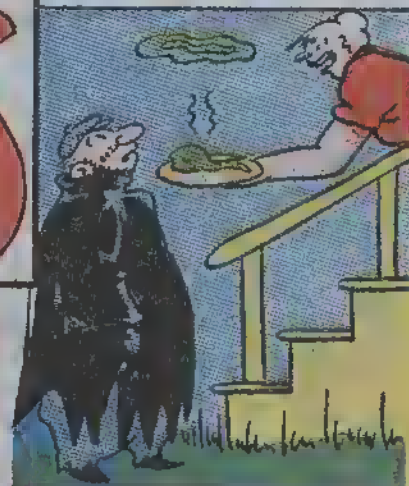
"PRESTO" MARTIN CONTINUES ON WITH HIS CRIME-BUSTING ACTIVITIES IN NEXT MONTH'S **SILVER STREAK** COMICS!!!



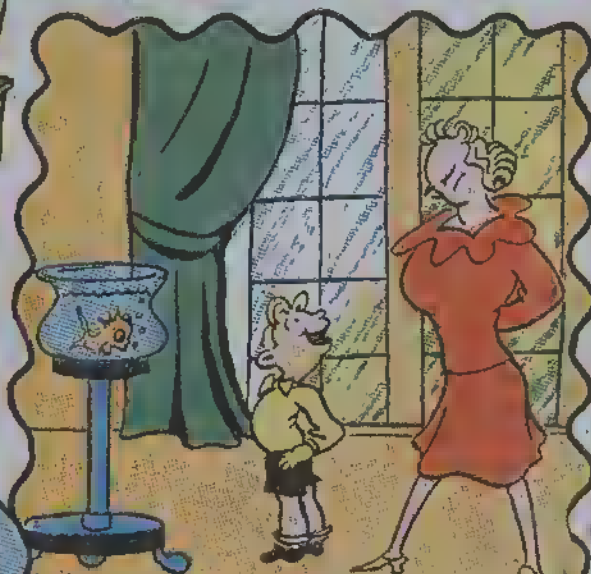
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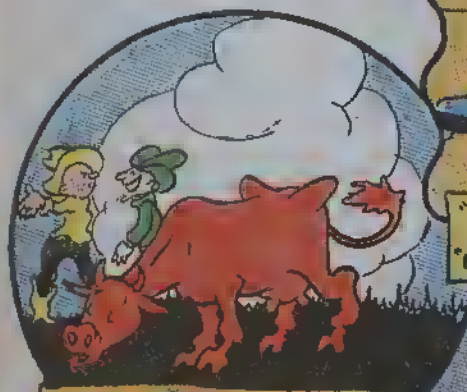
"WHY THIS TWO CENT LEMONADE IS AS GOOD AS THE FIVE CENT— HOW COME?"
"I DUNNO! I FIGGERED I SHOULD SELL IT CHEAPER BECUZ A MOUSE GOT DROWNED IN IT."



"WERENT THERE THREE OF YOU ASKING FOR FOOD LAST TIME?"
"YES, MAM, I'M THE SOLE SURVIVOR!"



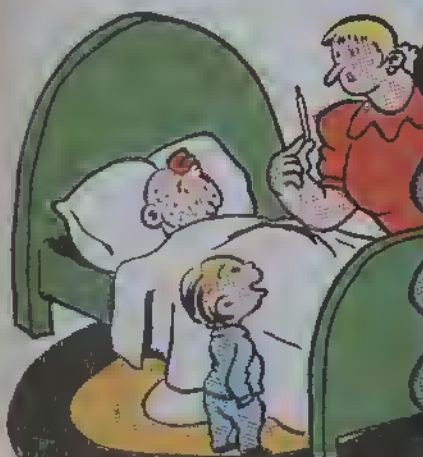
"MARVIN, DID YOU JUST EXPECTORATE INTO THE FISH BOWL?"
"NO, MOM, BUT I'M GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER."



"GOSH DERN, EYORE COWS IN MY PASTURE AGIN!"
"NOW KEEP YORE SHIRT ON, JED, AND I'LL SEND YA A GLASS OF MILK FER DINNER."



THERE WAS AN OLD LADY FROM KENT WHOSE NOSE WAS AWFULLY BENT SHE FOLLOWED HER NOSE ONE DAY I SUPPOSE AND NOONE KNOWS WHICH WAY SHE WENT.



"MISS GREPBURN, YOUR MANAGER SAYS YOU'LL INDOSE OUR CEREAL FOR TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS."
"YEAH! THROW IN ANOTHER THOUSAND AND I'LL EVEN EAT THE STUFF!"



"DOES YORE NEW BABY CRY MUCH, ZEKE?"
"A LITTLE WHEN AH DROPS HIM— BUT THAT'S BECUZ HE AIN'T LARNED TA SNEAR YET!"

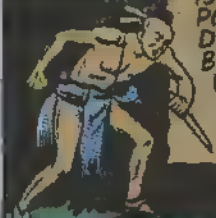
"SAYMA, KIN I HAVE THE MEASLES WHEN WILLIE'S THRU WITH THEM?"

DAN DEARBORN

Freedom's Son

WALTER GALL

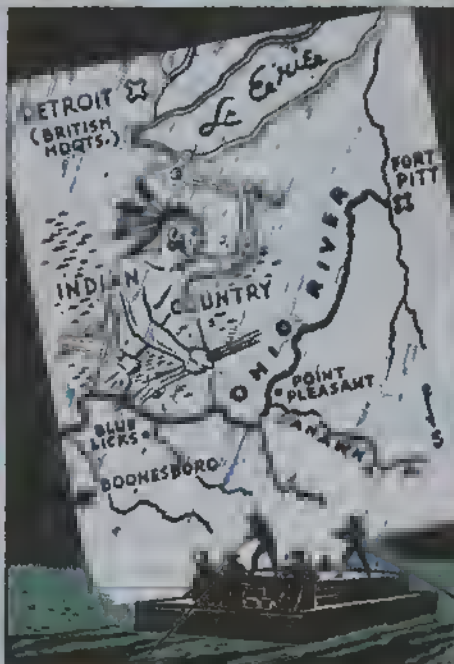
THE YEAR: 1776... BRIBED BY THE BRITISH, SAVAGE REDSKINS ARE RAVAGING THE COLONIAL FRONTIER! DAN, WITH INDIAN-FIGHTER GEORGE ROGERS CLARK, IS AT FORT PITT, BACKWOODS MILITARY POST, PREPARING TO TRANSPORT A LOAD OF GUNPOWDER DOWN THE OHIO TO BOONESBORO IN THE KENTUCKY WILDERNESS. WITHOUT IT, THE SETTLEMENT WILL BE WIPED OUT! HOWEVER, BRITISH AGENTS SEEK TO BALK DAN'S DARING MOVE!!



IN DEAD OF NIGHT, DAN DIRECTS A SECRET LOADING.....

EASY WITH THEM POWDER KEGS, BOYS! WHEN WE SHOVIN' OFF, MAJOR CLARK?

RIGHT NOW, DEARBORN, SO'S WE KIN GET A HEADSTART!



BUT, WATCHING UNDER COVER, A RENEGADE SPY, SCARFACE DYKES, GIVES A SIGNAL

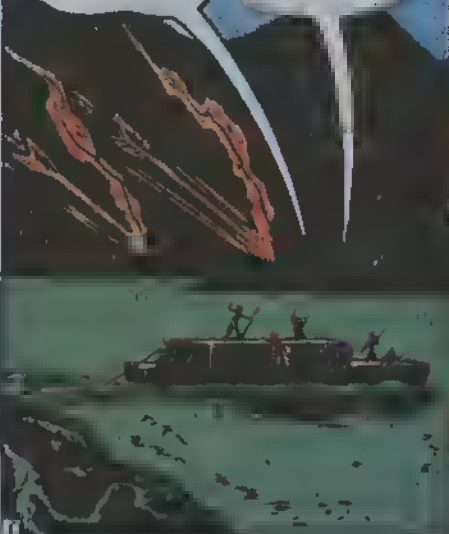
THIS'LL SLOW UP THEM PATRIOT DOGS!



A SHOWER OF FLAMING, OIL-SOAKED ARROWS!

WHAT THE-- INJUNS!

LOOK TO THE POWDER!



A DIRECT HIT THREATENS TO BLOW THEM SKYWARD!!

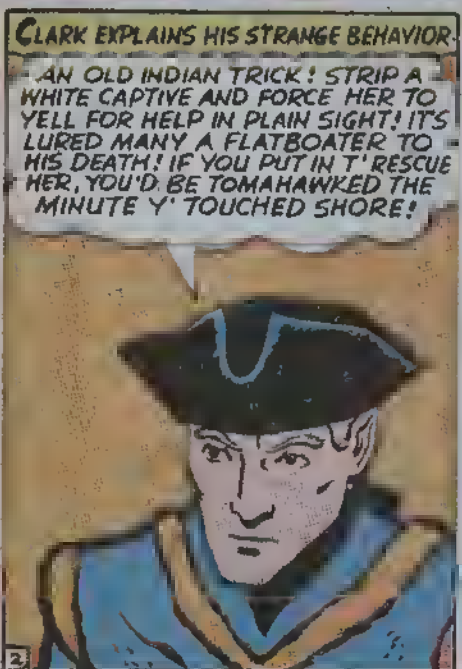
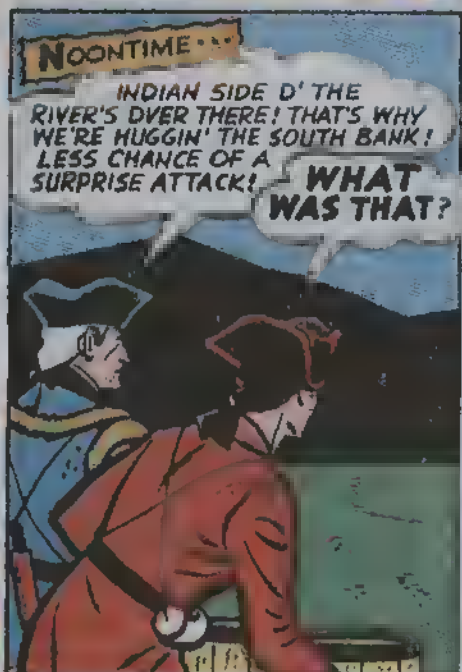
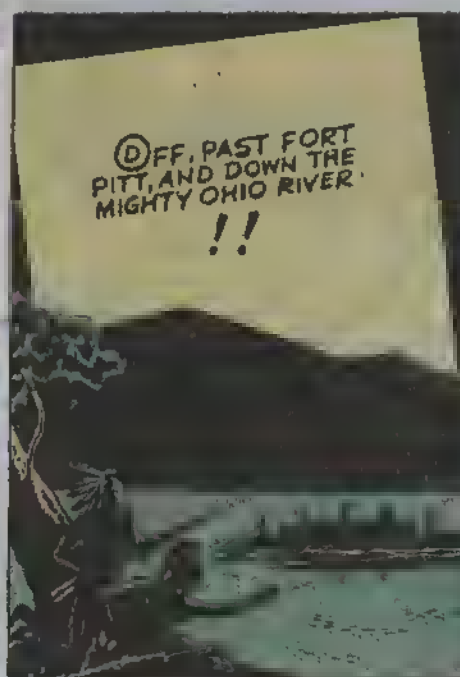
STAND BACK! THIS IS MY JOB!



INTO THE DRINK!

WHEW! THOUGHT WE WUZ GONERS SURE!

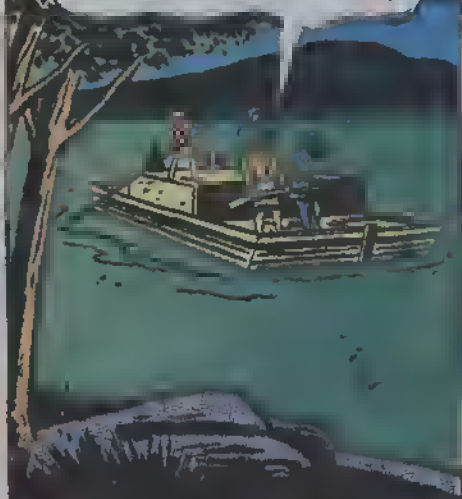






FOR TWO DAYS THEY HAVE
PEACEFUL SAILING . . .

SUNDOWN WE OUGHTA REACH
THE SETTLEMENT AT POINT
PLEASANT, NEAR THE MOUTH OF
THE KANAWHA RIVER!



...BUT AS THEY NEAR A NARROW
PART OF THE RIVER . . .

SOMETHING'S
FUNNY UP
AHEAD!

WHAT THE--! LOOKS
LIKE A STRING OF CUT
TIMBER--STRETCHED
FROM ONE SIDE OF THE
RIVER TO THE OTHER!



WATCHING ON SHORE . . .

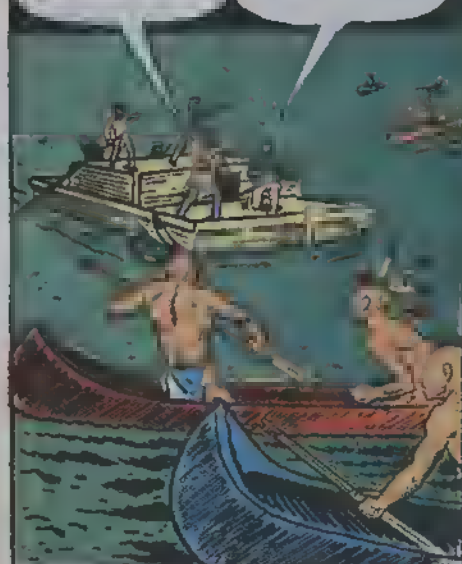
AT LAST! THAT LOG CHAIN'LL
HOLD 'EM BACK LONG ENUFF
FOR MY WARRIORS TO
CLOSE IN!



ATTACKED ON BOTH SIDES!!

MAKE EVERY
SHOT COUNT!

THEY'RE FIVE
TO OUR ONE!



SUDDENLY, ON THE SOUTH BANK.

LET THE DEVILS
HAVE IT!



WONDER WHO'S
HELPIN' US
OUT!

LOOK! THE
INJUNS ARE
TURNIN' TAIL!



THE RESCUE PARTY COMES ABOARD.

Y' HAPPEDED
ALONG RIGHT
IN THE NICK
OF TIME,
MEN!

WE'RE FROM THE
KANAWHA! OUT
A-HUNTIN' WHEN
WE SPIED THEM
INJUNS! WE'RE
HEADIN' FOR POINT
PLEASANT, TOO!



LATER, AT THE SETTLEMENT FORT.

YEP, IT SURE
WAS A CLOSE
SHAVE!

AND NOT THE LAST!
THAT SCALP-BUYIN'
RENEGADE DON'T
GIVE UP SO EASY! BUT
ANYWAY, OUR GUNPOWDER
IS SAFE -- SO FAR!




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Our southern neighbor, the great republic of Brazil, marked the tenth anniversary of the presidency of Getulio Vargas with a new 400-reis stamp. This attractive brown-purple stamp features a design showing a female head, supposed to represent Brazil, with two national flags and a rising sun in the background. Against the rays of the sun is a curved inscription, "Pelo Brasil Uno e Forte" meaning "For Brazil, Unified and Strong." Across the top of the stamp appears the dates, 1930—24 de Outubro 1940."

The first airmail stamp to bear the head of King George VI of England has just been issued by India. It is a 14-anna value and an attractive dull violet in color. Besides showing the head of the king it depicts a modern mail plane flying over a hilly country. If you collect airmails, get this one, for it is the first of this value to be issued by India. I'll be glad to tell you where you can pick one up if you're interested.

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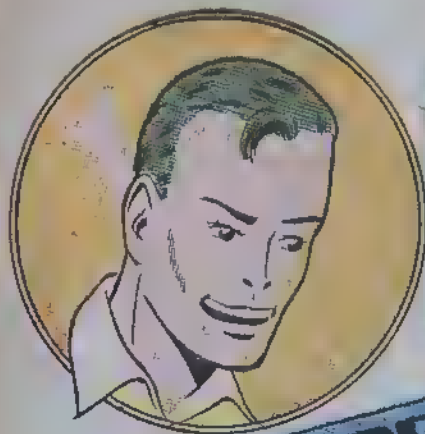
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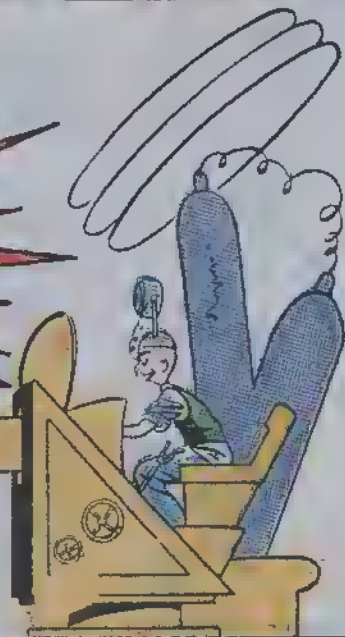
DICKIE DEAN

THE BOY INVENTOR..... by Jack Cole

DICKIE DEAN

HERE IT IS!

THE WAR OF INVENTIONS



EXCITEMENT IS AT FEVER PITCH IN CASTLETON! EVERYWHERE PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT IT: THE EVIL PROF. SKINN HAS CHALLENGED DICKIE TO A DUEL OF INVENTIONS!! FOR MONTHS THE TWO HAVE BEEN DEVELOPING NEW WEAPONS FOR USE AGAINST EACH OTHER!!

WHEN WILL THE PROF. STRIKE?

WHAT WILL BE THE OUTCOME?

WHAT NEW INVENTIONS WILL THEY USE?

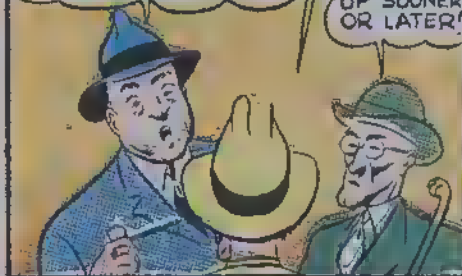
THESE AND MANY OTHER QUESTIONS ARE ASKED BY THE TOWNSPEOPLE

ON THE STREETS:

THIS SUSPENSE IS NERVE-WRACKING! IT'S BEEN THREE MONTHS SINCE THE PROFESSOR CHALLENGED DICKIE AND NO ACTION YET!

MAYBE THE PROF. TURNED CHICKEN!

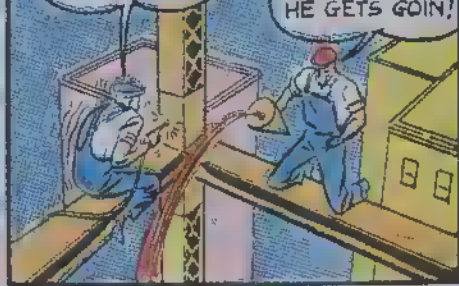
NOT THAT DEVIL!! HE'LL POP UP SOONER OR LATER!



ON BUILDINGS-HIGH:

YOUNG DEAN HASN'T A CHANCE! THE PROFESSOR A DEMON—HE'LL STOOP TO ANYTHING!!

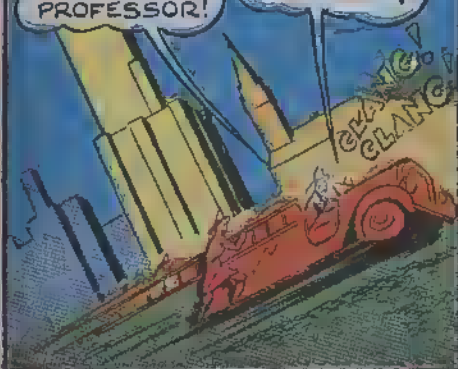
YEAH, BUT THE KIDS SQUEEZED OUT OF TIGHT SPOTS BEFORE JUST WAIT'LL HE GETS GOIN'!



WITH THE CITY'S FIREMEN:

I'LL LAY YOU FIVE-TO-ONE ON THE PROFESSOR!

YOU'RE ON! I GOT FAITH IN THE KID!



MEANWHILE, DICKIE AND ZIP TODD AWAIT THE SIGNAL FOR ACTION

WE'VE BEEN READY FOR A WEEK, NOW, AND STILL NO SIGN OF HIM!! WONDER WHAT'S HOLDING HIM UP?

DUNNO, BUT I GOT MY NAILS CHEWED TO THE QUICK!! GOT THE SHAKES!!



I FEEL THE SAME WAY, NOT KNOWING WHEN OR HOW HE'LL STRIKE!!

MESBIE HE'S STILL WORKIN' ON SOME INVENTIONS OR THE LIKE!

